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Air Force. Tribute

▶ Royal Canadian Air Force planes fly over spectators waving the new Libyan flag on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Thursday. The ceremony was to recognize the efforts of Canadian military personnel who took part in the NATO mission in Libya. For more on the ceremony see pages 8 and 9.

PATRICK DOYLE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Personnel honoured for Libyan mission

Teacher accused of molesting student

Supply teacher charged with sexually assaulting girl at elementary school

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A Justice of the Peace has granted bail to a 51-year-old supply teacher charged with sexually assaulting a female student at an Ottawa Carleton District School Board elementary school.

Police allege the offences happened between Nov. 1 and Nov. 17 and believe there may be other victims.

Yussef Benabdallah-Chaouni of Ottawa is charged with two counts each of sexual assault and sexual interference.

Benabdallah-Chaouni was certified with the Ontario College of Teachers in August 2009. He was educated at the University of Ottawa and earned a bachelor degree in social science in 1999 and an education degree in 2005.

He was certified to teach French as second language and special education in 2009.

Court staff would not release the terms of the teacher's recognizance citing two publication bans, one the standard ban protecting the identity of sexual assault complainants and a second ban under section 487.3 of the Criminal Code — a section that pertains to the sealing of search warrants.

A statement issued by the school board on Thursday said officials are co-operating with police and would provide resources to support students, parents and teachers.

"Our primary concern in these situations is with those who are directly affected and ensuring that they have access to these resources and supports," said the board's education director Jennifer Adams in statement on the OCDSB website.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Ottawa Police Service Sexual Assault Child Abuse Section at 613-236-1222 ext. 5944 or Crime Stoppers at 613-233-8477 (TIPS) or toll free at 1-800-222-8477.

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Inquiry to revisit bus-camera policy

There's been shouting, spitting, cellphone calling, punching and even, in 2006, a fatal stabbing on OC Transpo buses. Now the head of the transit commission, Coun. Diane Deans, wants an inquiry to review the policy on camera use on OC Transpo buses.

"That would be everything — security cameras on buses as well as use of personal devices on buses," Deans said.

The inquiry probably won't happen until the first or second quarter of next year, she said, but it could mean OC Transpo might consider installing real surveillance cameras on its bus fleet. Currently, there are about six buses with cameras, but they are fake.

Real ones could provide extra security for drivers, who lately have reported cases of verbal and physical abuse from passengers. The most recent case involved a teenage boy punching a driver in the face on Wednesday.

"Having a camera may act as a deterrent to that behaviour," Deans said.

She also called for the federal government to revisit private member's bills, introduced in 2007 and this year, that sought to change the Criminal Code to give transit drivers the same protection as police officers and paramedics.

Doing so would mean the courts could hand out stiffer sentences to those who commit crimes against transit drivers.

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▶ Sivas Premjeyanth, who lives in Barrhaven, noticed a suspicious car in his neighbourhood, which sped away when he approached. He took down the licence-plate number and reported it to police, which is exactly what officers are asking residents to do to help in the investigation of a string of gold burglaries targeting South Asians.

Gold bandits mining South Asian community

Tamil community and police plan to meet to discuss gold robberies

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Police are trying to figure out how thieves are targeting homes in a series of break-ins, all of them preying on South and Southeast Asian families in Ottawa's West End who own high-quality gold.

Staff Sgt. Kal Ghadban said there have been 21 break-ins in Barrhaven and Kanata since May. They follow a pattern similar to a string of gold-seeking burglaries in the Greater Toronto Area.

In those robberies, GTA police arrested more than 20 people tied to organized crime in 2009 after an investigation called Project Dish.

"It's very possible it's the same group or a similar group organized like them that are doing this now," Ghadban said.

The homes in the Project Dish robberies had satellite dishes pointed toward a satellite that carried programming from South Asia, Ghadban said.

"That's how the suspects were identifying the homes to break into. In this circumstance, we don't have that, so we're trying to find what is the commonality between them," he said.

Members of the local Tamil community reported the first Ottawa robberies, but families from other cultural and religious backgrounds have been robbed, Ghadban said.

Jepal Jey, president of the National Capital Region Tamil Association, said the Tamil families all wore nice jewelry.

"Usually people keep their jewelry at home so they can wear it often. Maybe (the thieves) are noticing," he said.

Sivas Premjeyanth said his sister Premchitra's home was ransacked and robbed of gold on Sept. 9. That same day, thieves tried to rob a home belonging to another of his sisters, but when his mother shouted the thieves ran away.

"It seems a very well-organized crime, and the community's gripped with constant fear," Premjeyanth wrote in a letter to politicians and the Ottawa police. "Our parents, who are elderly and usually stay alone, are now frightened to stay alone when we go to work."

Ottawa police are asking anyone with information to call 613-236-1222, ext. 2638 or Crime Stoppers at 613-233-8477 (TIPS).

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Healthy Foods Week was launched at the Youville Centre Thursday with politicians and young mothers participating in a healthy cook-off challenge to make the tastiest quesadillas
The event aimed to demonstrate how to eat well on a budget

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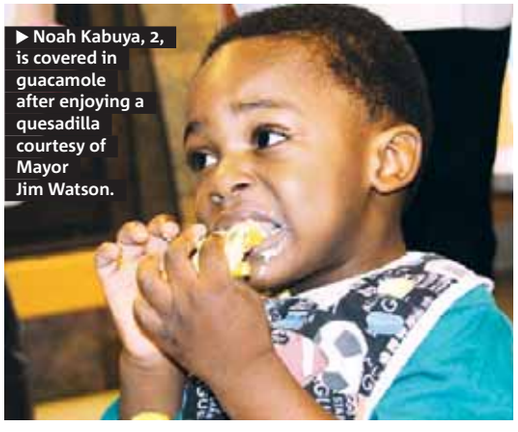
▶ From left, Medical Officer of Health Dr. Isra Levy Rideau-Vanier, Coun. Mathieu Fleury, and Mayor Jim Watson figure out a plan of attack before whipping up some homemade quesadillas.

Bargain bites

The City of Ottawa's tips on healthy eating:

- Buy apples and oranges in pre-packaged bags rather than individually.
- Buy bread on special and keep it frozen for up to two months.
- Yogurt in large containers is cheaper than single-serving sizes.
- Buy whole chickens and cut them into serving sizes.

▶ Mayor Jim Watson makes a smoothy.



▶ Noah Kabuya, 2, is covered in guacamole after enjoying a quesadilla courtesy of Mayor Jim Watson.

Healthy on a budget

▶ Lynsey Belair, centre, shows off her Mexican creations.

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Cook off participant Lynsey Belair said healthy eating is the rule at her house.

"I find whenever I don't eat healthy, I don't feel that well," said Belair.

"And I need to feel well in order to go to school and take care of my son."

Her 16-month-old son Lisandro is starting to be picky, she said, but she sticks to her guns when it comes to cooking healthy.

Frozen dinners are not her thing.

"First of all they're really expensive and I don't really like the flavours," she said.

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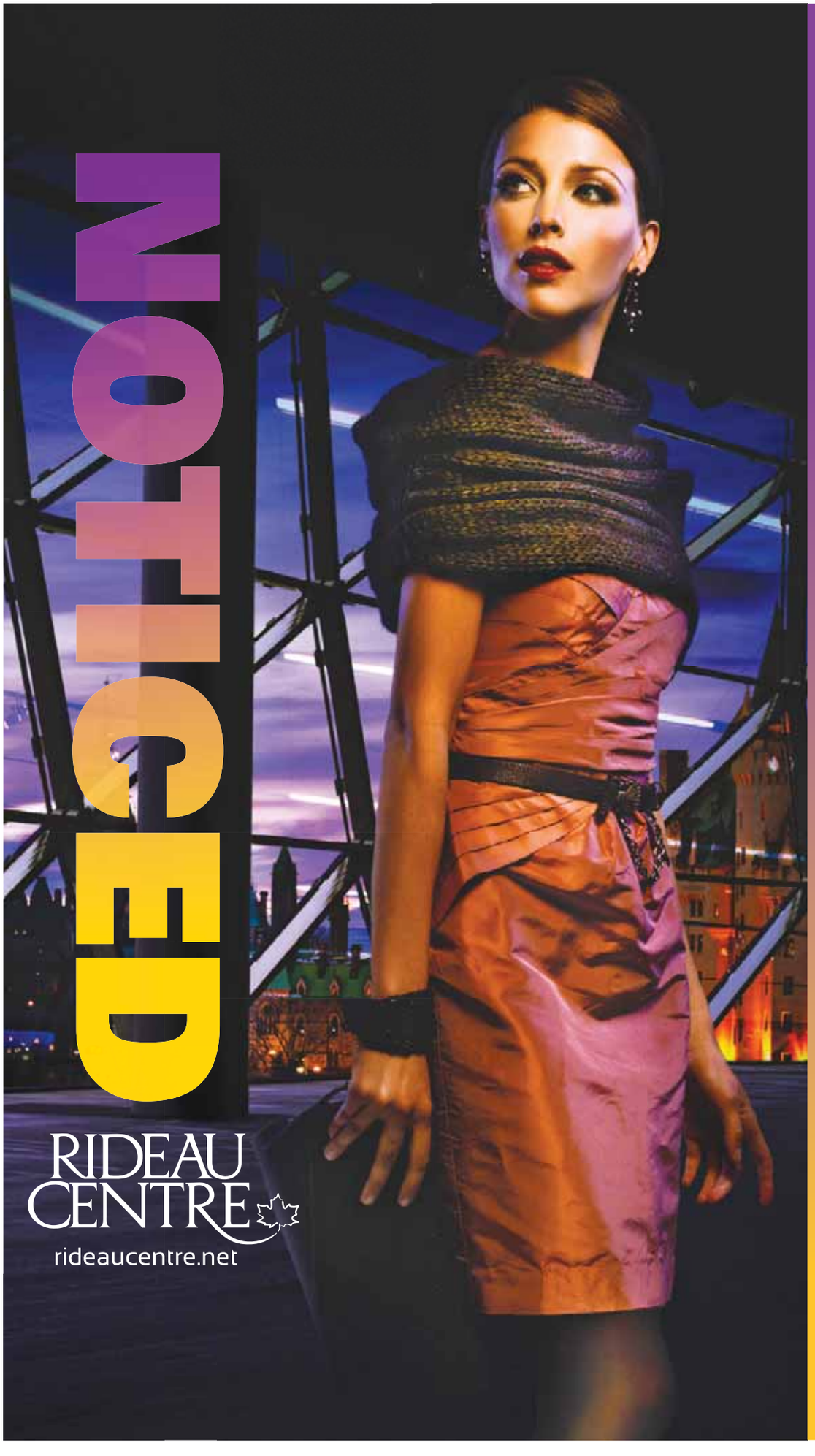

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Cost of eviction no surprise to protesters

Reports it cost $16,000 to evict the last Occupy Ottawa protesters from Confederation Park didn't come as a surprise to one protester at the camp the night of the eviction.

"There was a very, very significant police presence there, so it doesn't surprise me that that was the cost," Paul Boudreau, who witnessed the eviction in the early hours of Wednesday morning.

"It looked like there was at least 90 officers on site to arrest 8 protesters."

Police have not released the number of officers called in for overtime, but witnesses reported there were between 75 and 150 officers at Confederation Park, around 2 a.m.

Ottawa Police Chief Vern told media the total cost of policing Occupy Ottawa was $24,000. METRO

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▶ Occupy camp before the last holdouts were evicted.

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Beau's beer delivery plans squelched

Brewery announces plans are cancelled in Facebook posting

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Beau's beer home delivery service was cancelled less than a day after it was launched after a competitor complained to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario.

Only 10 orders for home beer delivery were placed before Beau's was informed of the complaint Thursday morning, said company president Steve Beauchesne.

Each $15 delivery fee was to go to Operation Come Home, which benefits street-involved youth, two of whom were hired to deliver the beer alongside their social workers.

That had nothing to do with the complaint, said Beauchesne, adding it was a "technicality" that another beer company brought to the commission's attention.

"Taking a job from a homeless youth to thwart us is beyond reprehensible."
STEVE BEAUCHESNE'S BLOG POST

In a blog posting about the cancellation Beauchesne wrote, "Our retail store operates as an authorized beer store by the LCBO, but the regulation around home delivery uses the wording 'operated' instead of 'authorized,' which is how it is worded to allow us to sell to special occasion permit holders, and retail customers. It is interesting to note that the Beer Store, which is not operated by the LCBO or government is somehow allowed to sell to home delivery services."

"Anybody that feels the same way I do, that this is sad and unfortunate, could donate to Operation Come Home," he added.

Hello. Sailor

▶ Ella Rose will host a Retro Pin-Up Girl contest at The Rainbow Bistro for the blues bar's 27th anniversary on Friday.

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Got the no-beauty blues?

Local blues artist JW-Jones will perform brand new songs at The Rainbow Bistro on Friday night, as the bar is hosting a Retro Pin-Up Girl Contest. The event opens at 9:30 at 27 Murray Street.

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▶ Libyan Canadians wave the flag of their homeland and of Syria at the ceremony on Parliament Hill.

Local Libyans say thank you to Air Force

Small group gathered on the Hill to honour the Air Force, which took part in NATO-led mission in the Libya

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As CF-18s roared over Parliament Hill Thursday, Sara Algabroun was thinking of the Canadian Forces, which protected her relatives in Libya and those that Canada wasn't able to protect.

For Algabroun, a native of Tripoli, it was necessary to come out and say thank you to Canadian Forces that helped enforce a no-fly zone to protect Libyan civilians who protested Moammar Gadhafi's brutal regime.

"He was killing our people there," she said.

JOE LOFARO/METRO

▶ Sara Algabroun

"(Canada) sent their military, their people to help us. We need to thank them for that."

She watched the RCAF perform a fly-by over Parliament Hill with her four-year-old son Hudaifa and some friends. She brought a bouquet of flowers that she wanted to give to the Canadian Forces as a gesture of gratitude.

Alaa Abushwereb of Ottawa also came to see the fly-by and show his gratitude to the Canadian military.

Abushwereb, also from Tripoli, was at the front of the barricades on the front steps on the Hill waving a Syrian flag in the air.

He said he feels for the people in Syria who are revolting against their president, Bashar-al Assad, and would like to see Canada intervene as it did in Libya.

"I'd like to see the same thing happen," he said. "Every day they're killing people. It's worse than Libya."

▶ Gov.- Gen. David Johnston inspects Canadian troops on Parliament Hill Thursday.

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▶ CF-18s escort a Royal Canadian Air Force Airbus in a low-altitude fly-by over the Parliament Buildings.

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LIBYAN CAMPAIGN

Government thanks the troops

Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Gov. Gen. David Johnston paid warm tribute to the military Thursday for its work in the Libyan campaign.

Johnston thanked the troops for their efforts.

"On behalf of all Canadians, I thank you for your service in this mission," he said. "Together, you embody our commitment to international law, to the rights and freedoms we cherish in a democratic society, and to the personal values of duty, honour and service."

He spoke in the ornate, red-trimmed Senate chamber. The room was packed with uniforms from all three services. MPs, cabinet ministers and diplomats also looked on.

The prime minister called it "a day of honour."

"We are celebrating a great military success: the success of Canada's participation in Operation Unified Protector and Operation Mobile, respectively the NATO mission to Libya and Canada's contribution to it," he said.

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"This is like 1947 with television," says National Film Board producer Gerry Flahive says of the pivotal change.

Three weeks ago, the NFB released a taste of the riches to come, in the world's first immersive documentary, One Millionth Tower.

"It's a new box, new playground and a new language," says Flahive. "I'm excited by how it's expanding storytelling."

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Open code

- The fifth generation of hypertext markup language (HTML5) allows software developers to embed video and live data (from the Weather Network, to Facebook and Twitter) without resorting to expensive and time-consuming plug-ins.
- HTML5 is known as open code, meaning that anyone, anywhere — basement hackers and professional programmers — can play with it and create new applications.

Lottery. Winners

▶ Don and Linda Ingram display their $50-million lottery cheque on Thursday in Toronto.

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50 million reasons to smile

Don, 53, and Linda, 59, of Oshawa, Ont., say they will now retire from work as restaurant cooks, buy a "comfy" home and help their two grown children.

Shock adverts put baby in bed with meat cleaver

The poster images are meant to shock: a diapered, cherubic baby sleeping on his stomach in an adult bed, a butcher knife next to him. In another, a rosy-skinned infant lightly fingers the handle of a cleaver.

"Your baby sleeping with you can be just as dangerous," reads the doom-saying tagline.

The posters were unveiled in early November by Milwaukee's health department as part of a campaign to lower the city's infant mortality rate — currently 10.4 deaths for every 1,000 live births..

The campaign tackles bed-sharing, in which babies share a bed with their parents, suggesting that a child can become smothered.

HANDOUT

▶ The shock campaign.

But parents and breastfeeding advocates say the sensationalized ad campaign overstates the risks.

The ads have stirred controversy among some pediatricians who claim bed-sharing promotes parent-infant intimacy or breastfeeding, which provides the baby with nutrients essential to staving off SIDS-related infections.

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Egypt's rulers hold firm

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They said Thursday they will start the first round of parliamentary elections next week. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Mission. Accomplished

▶ A "thank you" salute from Ottawa: Gov. Gen. David Johnston inspects Canadian troops on Parliament Hill Thursday during a ceremony to honour those who took part in the Libya campaign.

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Well done! Our soldiers get the official high-five

Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Gov. Gen. David Johnston paid warm tribute to the military Thursday for its work in the Libyan campaign. The formal Parliament Hill ceremony recognized the efforts of the men and women who took part in the NATO campaign that helped force Moammar Gadhafi from power. Canadian warplanes flew hundreds of missions over Libya in the spring and summer, while warships patrolled offshore.

Survivor of massacre pleads for gun registry

My heart is heavy, she tells Commons committee

The Conservative government is ignoring evidence and common sense in dismantling the long-gun registry, says a survivor of the 1989 Montreal massacre.

Nathalie Provost, an engineer who was shot at the École Polytechnique, told the Commons public safety committee Thursday she's watching with a "heavy heart" as the Tories scrap the registry.

"Long guns are dangerous. And this I know."
NATHALIE PROVOST, MONTREAL MASSACRE SURVIVOR

Provost said: "In 11 days, it will be the 22nd anniversary of the Polytechnique massacre, in which I was injured.

"So it is with a heavy heart that I am witnessing the legislative process that is leading to the dismantling of one of the few positive outcomes of this tragedy: the law that helps save hundreds and hundreds of lives."

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The Tory plan

- The legislation would end registration of common rifles and shotguns and permanently delete more than seven million files.
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B.C. bank key to $200K mystery?

D.B. Cooper parachuted out of airliner with the cash

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▶ Galen Cook compares pictures of U.S. hijacker D.B. Cooper and suspect William Gossett. Cooper parachuted out of a jet with a fortune. Gossett had parachuting experience.

Amateur sleuth Galen Cook believes the answer to America's only unsolved hijacking lies in a Vancouver bank vault.

That's where the mysterious D.B. Cooper stashed $200,000 in extorted cash after parachuting out of a 727 jet 40 years ago Thursday, Cook says.

And the outlaw's son agrees with him.

Greg Gossett said he's "totally certain" his father, military veteran William Gossett, was D.B. Cooper.

Greg Gossett said his father once pulled an FBI sketch of D.B. Cooper from a locked file drawer and asked if Greg recognized the man.

Gossett said he told his father it looked like him. And he said his father — who died in 2003 — acknowledged he was D.B. Cooper.

Cook, an Alaskan lawyer, is convinced William Gossett hid his money in a safety deposit box in a bank in Vancouver's Chinatown.

And Cook has spent years trying to track down the keys.

"This is one of the most intriguing unsolved crimes ever," Cook said.

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Spidey. Takes Times Sq.

▶ A giant Spider-Man balloon thrills the Times Square crowds on Thursday. Two other balloons that were also hits: Snoopy and a jetpack-wearing monkey.

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The web slinger wows 'em

Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade made its annual appearance through the streets of New York on Thursday — for the 85th year. It featured more than 40 balloon creations, 27 floats, 800 clowns and 1,600 cheerleaders.

Guard threatens tot, gets turfed

A grocery store security guard in Everett, Wash., has been fired after telling the father of a four-year-old girl she'd face criminal charges for grabbing a dried fruit package and eating some fruit.

Safeway said the company was appalled by the guard's actions.

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Russian fired for Obama TV gaffe

Award-winning newsreader caught on camera giving U.S. president the finger Blames peers for mistake

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▶ YouTube screen grab of Tatyana Limanova's infamous newscast.

We're sure there are plenty of ways to get fired when you're working in Russian media, but we wouldn't have speculated that flipping the bird at a sitting U.S. president would do the trick.

But then along came Tatyana Limanova, an award-winning (former) newscaster for Russia's REN TV who offered the rude salute to President Barack Obama during a broadcast that aired to 120 million people earlier this month.

After the video went viral following a report in a the London Daily Telegraph, the station announced that Limanova had been fired.

Network sources told the Telegraph that Limanova thought she was off camera and just doing voiceover work when she offered the one-finger salute to studio technicians who were teasing her. METRO

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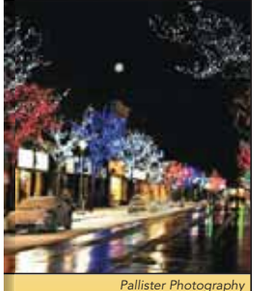

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▶ The snowless competition slope is seen in Levi, Finland, prior to the World Cup Alpine skiing races being moved to Austria from Finland because of the lack of snow.

Scandinavia's winter woes

Northern countries dealing with unusually warm start to winter

In Sweden, the temperature for November measured 7 C above average

For some reason, Scandinavia is not its frigid self, with unusually warm weather delaying the onset of winter in northern latitudes normally decked in white.

The lack of snow has been bad news for winter sports — World Cup ski races have been dropped, or held on artificial snow, and mountain ski resorts are unable to open.

There are even reports of bird song and blooming gardens in some places typically entering the winter freeze at this time of year.

"Some flowers, like roses, have actually begun to blossom for a second time," said Mats Rosenberg, a biologist in Orebro, south-central Sweden.

Weather experts say this fall is on track to become one of the warmest on record in the northern part of Scandinavia, where the start of winter has been delayed by more than a month in certain locations.

Earlier this month, World Cup Alpine skiing races were moved from Levi, Finland, to Austria because of the lack of snow.

Cross-country World Cup races in Norway last weekend had to be moved from barren ground in Beitostoelen to Sjusjoen, where at least it was cold enough for artificial snow to stick.

Ski lifts remain idle in Are, Sweden's biggest ski resort, which normally opens in the first half of November.

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▶ Ales Belyatsky waves to his relatives as he sits in a cage during a court session in Minsk, Belarus, on Thursday.

Belarus activist jailed

Head of human-rights group convicted of tax evasion Ales Belyatsky was arrested in August Critics call sentence 'politically motivated'

Belarus' leading human rights activist was convicted of tax evasion and sentenced to four-and-a-half years in prison on Thursday at a trial condemned by U.S. and European Union officials as politically motivated.

Ales Belyatsky, 49, heads Vesna, the ex-Soviet nation's most prominent rights group, which actively reported on alleged irregularities in last December's presidential election and the ensuing police crackdown on protests.

The election, in which authoritarian President Alexander Lukashenko won another term, was criticized by international observers and sparked a massive protest rally that was violently dispersed by police who arrested some 700 people, including seven of the nine presidential candidates.

Vesna has since provided legal assistance to those arrested, helped them pay fines and offered help to their families.

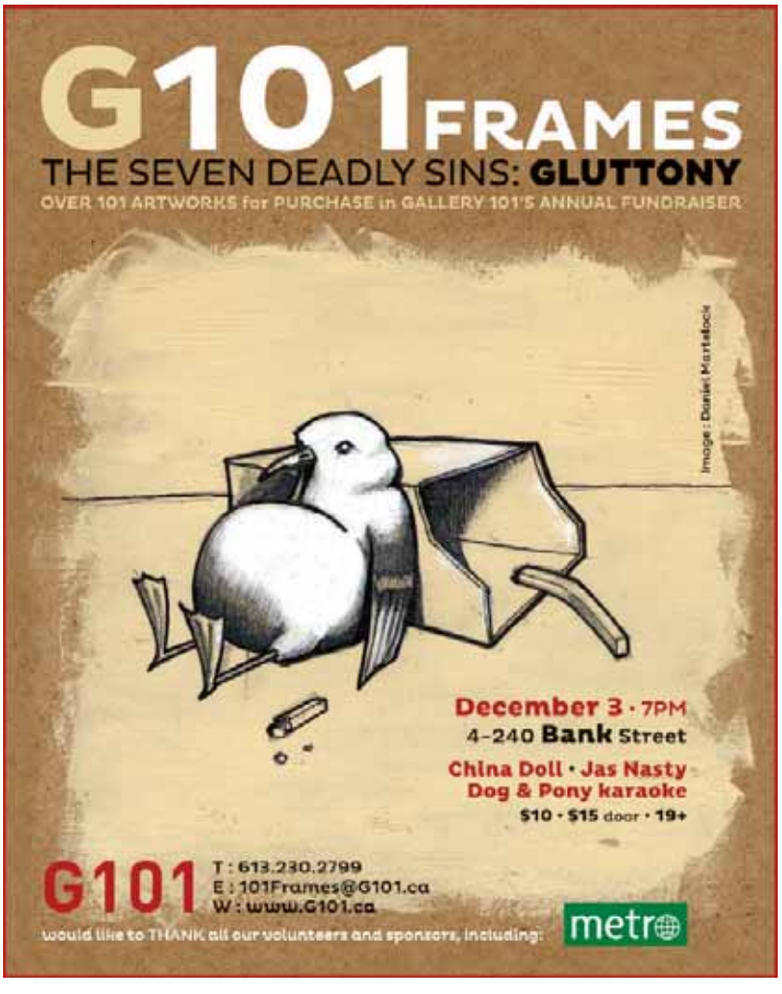
Belyatsky was charged with tax evasion after Polish and Lithuanian authorities provided data about his accounts in those countries. Vesna said Belyatsky had to use the accounts to get cash from donors because Belarusian law left him no other option to receive funds needed to help victims of political repression. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Shafia girl wanted to run away, court told

A court in eastern Ontario is hearing that a 13-year-old girl allegedly killed by her Montreal family became "furious" when a teacher said it wasn't a good idea for her to run away from home with her 17-year-old sister.

Court has heard that Geeti Shafia repeatedly asked teachers and child protection authorities to remove her from the family home, where she and her sisters complained of verbal, emotional and physical abuse.

Geeti and her sisters, 17-year-old Sahar and 19-year-old Zainab, as well as their father's first wife in a polygamous marriage were found dead on June 30, 2009 in a car submerged at the bottom of a canal in Kingston. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Canada's asbestos production comes to a halt after 130 years

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▶ The Jeffrey asbestos mine in Asbestos, Que.

Canada's once-mighty asbestos sector has ground to a halt for the first time in 130 years, as production of the controversial fibre has stalled in both of the country's mines.

A shutdown this month marked a historic milestone for the Canadian asbestos industry, which at one time dominated world production and led to the construction of entire towns in Canada.

Proponents of the industry insist it's far too early to write the obituary on Canadian asbestos; they're hoping to start digging again as soon as the spring.

But for now, amid all the noisy political debates and a dramatic anti-asbestos news conference Thursday on Parliament Hill, Canadian production has quietly and suddenly stopped.

Work halted earlier this month at the Lac d'amiante du Canada operation in Thetford Mines, Que., which followed a production stoppage at Jeffrey Mine in Asbestos, about 90 kilometres away.

The future of both mines is unclear.

Jeffrey Mine needs a bank-loan guarantee from the Quebec government before it can start digging a new underground mine. Lac d'amiante du Canada is apparently facing operational obstacles in accessing its mineral.

Canadian asbestos is expected to disappear from the international market altogether in the coming weeks, as the stockpiles at both operations dry up, says Jeffrey Mine president Bernard Coulombe.

The production shutdown is the latest dip for an industry that has long been a shadow of its former self.

Canada gained a reputation as the world's top producer of a once-valuable global commodity previously hailed as a "magic mineral." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canadian wages keep falling

Canadian workers are failing to keep up with the rising cost of living as real wages continue to fall dramatically, new data from Statistics Canada shows.

StatsCan reported Thursday that average weekly earnings for non-farm payrolls fell 0.3 per cent in nominal terms in September to $872.75 — when the 3.2 per cent inflation rate for the month is taken into consideration, the drop in real wages was more dramatic. Wage gains in Canada have been dropping steadily since the spring. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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▶ British actress Sienna Miller arrives to testify at the Leveson inquiry in London on Thursday.

Cast of celebs tell U.K. inquiry of press intrusion

Author J.K. Rowling and actress Sienna Miller are the latest to appear before media ethics inquiry

Writer J.K. Rowling and actress Sienna Miller gave a London courtroom a vivid picture on Thursday of the anxiety, anger and fear produced by living in the glare of Britain's tabloid media, describing how press intrusion made them feel like prisoners in their own homes.

The creator of boy wizard Harry Potter told Britain's media ethics inquiry that having journalists camped on her doorstep was "like being under siege and like being a hostage." Miller said years of car chases, midnight pursuits and intimate revelations had left her feeling violated, paranoid and anxious.

"The attitude seems to be absolutely cavalier," Rowling said. "You're famous, you're asking for it."

The pair were among a diverse cast of witnesses — Hollywood star Hugh Grant, a former soccer player, a former aide to supermodel Elle Macpherson and the parents of missing and murdered children — who have described how becoming the focus of Britain's tabloid press wreaked havoc on their lives.

Prime Minister David Cameron set up the inquiry amid a still-unfolding scandal over illegal eavesdropping by the News of the World tabloid. Owner Rupert Murdoch closed down the newspaper in July after evidence emerged that it had illegally accessed the mobile phone voice mails of celebrities, politicians and even crime victims in its search of scoops.

It has also set off national soul-searching about the balance between press freedom and individual privacy. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Germany deflects calls for ECB power

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▶ German Chancellor Angela Merkel

Germany deflected calls for the European Central Bank to play a bigger role in solving Europe's debt crisis but won the backing of France and Italy to unite the troubled 17-nation eurozone more closely.

Europe's biggest economy and the main financier of the eurozone's three bailouts has argued against allowing the ECB to use its firepower to ease the current debt crisis.

Instead of using the ECB's cash-printing power, the eurozone's richest countries decided to use political tools to dig their way out of the crisis: Germany and France agreed Thursday to push for changes to EU treaties to bring the eurozone's economic policies more in line with each other.

"In the treaty changes, we are dealing with the question of a fiscal union, a deeper political co-operation ... there will be proposals on this, but they have nothing to do with the ECB," German Chancellor Angela Merkel said Thursday in Strasbourg, France after meeting with French President Nicolas Sarkozy and Italy's new premier Mario Monti. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

India to allow more foreign retailers

India's cabinet decided Thursday to allow more direct foreign investment in the nation's huge retail industry, a move that could open India to giant global retailers such as Wal-Mart.

The cabinet approved 51 per cent foreign direct investment in multibrand retail and increased the FDI cap in single-brand retail to 100 per cent. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ex-CEO wants Olympus to come clean

Olympus Corp.'s former CEO expressed confidence Thursday that justice would be served as Japanese investigators probe the coverup of massive investment losses at the company.

Michael Woodford acknowledged the investigation into the huge accounting irregularities that date back decades at Olympus will likely take a long time. Woodford was fired as CEO last month after questioning dubious accounting at Olympus. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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THE KID IS BACK & DOGS CAN WALK IN THE PARK

THE METRO LIST

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1 Sidney Crosby. It was a day some thought might never come. Canada's Sid the Kid, out since early January with post-concussion syndrome, returned to the ice Monday night for his Penguins at home — with even CBC choosing to do a special broadcast. He was simply amazing, scoring two goals and two assists in a 5-0 storybook win over the Islanders. Yes, the best player in the world isn't just back — he's better than ever.

2 Feds and social media. Ottawa has rolled out formal guidelines for how their departments should use Twitter and Facebook, recognizing that "Web 2.0 is increasingly becoming a primary channel for sending, receiving and generating information." The guidelines also say public servants should be aware of the risks of operating in social media circles. In other words, look for tweets of political correctness.

3 Occupy camps. Occupy protest camps in Vancouver, Ottawa and Toronto were dismantled this week after eviction notices went out. The message(s) had been delivered, and the time had come for them to come down. The Toronto camp at St. James Park had taken on a life of its own: As Coun. Giorgio Mammoliti said, "We have Robin Hoods and makeshift Jesuses walking around, pretending that the park is theirs." Now it'll be Dog Park again.

4 Password. Hackers love those who choose "password" as their online password. And there are lots of you, according to Internet security firm SplashData, which released the top password name rankings based on millions of stolen passwords. The Top 5: 1. password 2. 123456 3. 12345678 4. qwerty 5. abc123. And you'd better be more creative than going with "monkey," you monkeys. That's No. 6 on the list.

5 Fox News. According to a new study, there is "something about watching Fox News that leads people to do worse on (news) questions than those who don't watch any news at all." The most informed respondents: People who listen to NPR, those who watch Sunday morning news programs and — best of all — viewers of The Daily Show with Jon Stewart.

6 ABA. With the NBA season a virtual wipeout due to the lockout, maybe the American Basketball Association will catch on. The calibre of play may not be up to NBA standards, but teams like the Los Angeles SLAM and Gulf Coast Flash could become household names if national TV chooses to broadcast some games. The legendary Dr. J got his start in the original ABA. There could be another legend waiting in the wings.

7 Watch your gadgets. A new poll by polling/social media company Poll Position found that more than 60 per cent of us spend between one to six hours a day watching electronic devices like TV, computer screen, e-reader, PDA or cellphone. So what the heck is the other 40 per cent doing?

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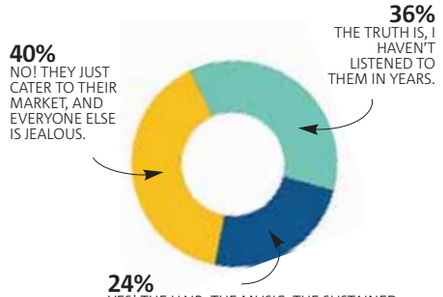

Local tweets

- **@ottguy:** Let's hope this all local Ottawa beer war includes 100% natural punches complimented by only the best in organic tongue lashings. #beaus
- **@PetersNewJobs:** Stupid on so many levels: MRT- @zchamu: Seriously craptastic news for @ochottawa and@beausallnatural :(
- **@jameslunneymp:** Great tribute to our Can Forces in Ottawa today marking completion of mission in Libya...2000 troops inspection by Gov Gen David Johnstone
- **@JasonDickson:** If there was a fantasy politician league, the fella that dozed off in Ottawa, I put him on waivers right away #sorry-ifwearekeepingyouawake
- **@lights:** Ottawa, at Bronson Centre! Last time the fire alarm went off in the middle of Pretend...second times a charm?
- **@07CountryGirl07:** @liswiftyluver89 ahh omg!haha OMG!my parent said yes to go see Taylor Swift and Brad Paisley in Ottawa!:)
- **@_DragonForest_:** saw fighter jets go by, then saw this group escorting an aircraft! Awesome to see :)

Daily Zoom

Lemurs give thanks

GETTY IMAGES

Lemurs enjoy Thanksgiving

CALIFORNIA. On this day, furry critters are thankful — even if they put their tails in their plates. Some ring-tailed lemurs had a feast at the Thanksgiving dinner at San Francisco Zoo. Fifteen grey lemurs tucked into a feast of green beans, fruit, sweet potatoes and a turkey made out of monkey chow. METRO WORLD NEWS

Polite males or bossy females?

BEHAVIOUR. The core group consists of females and their young. When the troop moves between feeding sites, this group settles into the best feeding spot and eats first. The males wait for them to finish or feed in a less desired tree nearby. It's women and children first, too, for often hard-to-find water that gathers in trees. MWN

50%

of the lemur diet consists of fruit from the tamarind tree, consumed mostly during the dry winter season. Lemurs have been observed eating decayed wood, earth, spider webs, insect cocoons, spiders, caterpillars, small birds and chameleons.

Lemur facts

- **Treasured lemur treats:** grapes, raisins and almonds.
- **1/3 of the at least 70 lemur species are endangered.**
- **Endemic to Madagsacar.** Nowhere else are they found in the wild.

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❄ Metro's video game reviewer says The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim is the best RPG to date. It's a vast, non-linear, open-ended game with a brilliant character-levelling system in which what you choose to do makes all the difference.

❄ Racing and non-racing fans are rejoicing over Forza Motorsports 4, the new instalment in the series.

❄ Kinect Sesame Street — Once Upon A Monster is just one of the popular Kinect titles available.

Your holiday mission

To get Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3 as a gift, as well as other popular games like The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim

KAREN FALCON
FOR METRO

Don't know what to buy for that gamer on your list? Not to worry, we have played a bunch of the hottest stuff (ESRB M) and narrowed it down to the best holiday offerings. This stuff is so good you might just want to keep it for yourself.

Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3

360, PS3, MS Windows, Wii

It's a record-busting, first-person shooter that features no slowdowns, stunning graphics, 16 massive new maps, survival mode, special ops and online multiplayer, too. The campaign is once again a solid and frantic affair that meets all your expectations. Once you are done with that, it's time to hop online. Online play is where this game shines so brightly it makes your eyes water. It's just awesome. Rock solid gameplay combined with new modes, a great levelling system, and well-earned unlockables, online multiplayer is the thing that will keep you coming back for more. And more. And more.

The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim

360, PS3, MS Windows

Words cannot describe the magnitude of Skyrim. It's epic. It's awesomely interactive and it's perfect. Perhaps the best RPG to date, this is a vast, non-linear, open-ended game with a brilliant character-levelling system in which what you choose to do makes all the difference. You can choose to be a thief, skulking around in the shadows, or you can choose to be a warrior, an elf, or a berserker. Choices are almost limitless — for everything. It's mind-blowing. Chances are if you gift this (and you should), you won't see your friend for a year — they will be too busy wandering around Skyrim hunting for stuff to mix potions and craft weapons. You should give them a year's supply of frozen pizzas to go with. They'll need 'em.

Uncharted 3: Drake's Deception

PS3

Exclusive to the PS3 and just in time for the holiday season, Uncharted 3 has launched to universally stupendous critical reviews. Why such good reviews? Because this game is quite possibly the slickest, best looking, most immersive single-player platformer to hit the market in more than three years. It's visually stunning and has the most outstanding dialogue and cut scenes we have seen in recent history. This game is a complete package of perfection. It's a climbing, jumping, shooting and puzzle-solving masterpiece. Oh, and did we mention the multiplayer? Yep, there's that, too. Your friends and family need this game. A lot.

Xbox Gifts

We played our fingers off and found you the very best of the 360 exclusives. If they have an Xbox, we have you covered.

Forza Motorsport 4

ESRB E

What do bowling and driving have in common? Forza 4. Racing and non-racing fans worldwide are rejoicing at this new instalment. And they should. The addition of Top Gear content is a stroke of genius. Then there are new cars and tracks, AI that responds to your level of difficulty, driving through traffic, and bowling with your car. If you add all that up, it's the best racing simulator ever.

Gears of War 3

ESRB M

Everything is better in Gears 3. Everything. Four-player co-op, new multiplayer modes, bajillions of unlockables, retro-lancers, stuff that blows up, and perfect controls make this a top pick for the holiday season. Saving the world on insane is pretty impressive, but the Live is even more impressive. They will play this until their hands go numb — and that's a good thing.

Kinect Sensor

MSRP $149.99

OK, it's not really a game, but a peripheral and we are here to tell you that if there is a child anywhere on your list, they need this. We invited a bunch of kids to play recent releases and we discovered the Kinect is actually crack for kids. They can't stop using it — they just can't. There are a whole whack of engaging titles this season and if you get them just one to go with their new Kinect, you are their favourite friend or relative — forever.

Kinect Disneyland Adventures

ESRB E/10+

It's Disneyland attractions turned into mini-games and it's addictive. Players will enjoy throwing snowballs at Yeti, sword fighting with pirates, hugging Mickey, and riding the most popular rides in the park. This game is totally stuffed with adventure, hidden secrets, wondrous Disney magic and lasting enjoyment. And there's no line-ups.

Kinect Dance Central 2

ESRB Teen

Your teens will be moving and grooving all over the living room floor. With more than 40 new hits and routines, voice controls, dance battles, and an onscreen personal trainer, don't forget to remind the kids to take breaks so they don't wear out the carpet too fast.

Kinect Sesame Street — Once Upon A Monster

ESRB E/4+

It's like playing a Sesame Street storybook — only better. It will get your little ones moving, solving problems, and learning — all at the same time. Six chapters, engaging mini-games, simple mechanics and their favourite furry Muppets makes this game an incredibly riveting experience for young gamers and a charming experience for their parents.

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which is why everyone's debit and credit cards promise to get a great workout over the next few weeks. For credit card holders, there are some good options available for getting something back for their purchases. For example, the Scotia Momentum suite of cash-back cards provides a solution for a number of different lifestyle stages. To help decide which product is right for you, try the Momentum Cash Back Calculator at scotiabank.com/momentumcash back. Scotiabank sends cash payouts to its customers in November — the ideal time to use funds for Christmas shopping or to help those in need.

If you want to pay some goodwill forward but you're finding your budget stretched to the limit, here are some affordable ways to make a difference in and around your community.

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DONATE TO A FOOD BANK Canned fruit or meat, a package of pasta, a jar of baby food, every little bit counts. Find a food bank near you at foodbankscanada.ca.

VOLUNTEER AT A SOUP KITCHEN Donate your time to help serve up food and wash dishes at a local soup/food kitchen.

SUPPORT A WOMEN'S SHELTER Collect donations of toiletries, clothes and small toys for a battered women's shelter.

HELP OUT A NEIGHBOUR When you pull out your snow blower or snow shovel after the next dusting of white stuff, take a few extra minutes to clear your neighbour's walkway.

ORGANIZE A TOY DRIVE Bring a smile to a child's face at Christmas by setting up a toy mountain at work, at your church or community centre.

SERENADE A SENIOR Get a group of people together and go carolling at a senior residence.

These are just a few suggestions. The opportunity to do some good in your community is limitless. You can explore more options at a local church, the Salvation Army or by searching online.

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CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN... ARE YOU READY?

You don't have to be Martha Stewart to plan the perfect Christmas. All it takes is a little planning.

MAKE YOUR GIFT-GIVING LIST Jot down names and gift ideas for family and friends. Tip: Be prepared for unexpected gifts; add some extra items to your list (e.g. candles, chocolates and wine).

DECK THE HALLS Pull out your strings of Christmas lights and make sure they're still working. It might be time for refresh. Check local flyers for ideas.

WRITE AND SEND YOUR HOLIDAY GREETINGS Whether you send emails or traditional cards by mail you'll want to make sure that your correspondence is written and mailed the first week of December.

PLAN YOUR HOLIDAY MENUS Hosting meals during the holidays? Plan the menu and buy items well beforehand (e.g. frozen turkey, appetizers, drinks etc.).

WRAP IT UP IN STYLE Set aside a couple of hours to wrap gifts. Tip: Gift bags are great for dressing up gifts and can be reused next year.

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BEST HOLIDAY MOVIES

From the nostalgic and the sappy to the humorous and the dramatic, almost everyone has one — a favourite holiday flick — that special movie that you get hopelessly drawn into watching again and again year after year. For some it might be Frank Capra's 1946 classic It's a Wonderful Life, for others something more of a modern-day classic like A Christmas Story (Who can forget little Ralphie's famous request to Santa, "I want an Official Red Ryder Carbine-Action Two-Hundred-Shot Range Model Air Rifle!").

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A FILM TO WARM YOU UP THIS SEASON, CONSIDER ONE OF THESE SEASONAL FAVES.

1. It's a Wonderful Life (1946)
2. Miracle on 34th Street (1947)
3. The Bishop's Wife (1947)
4. A Christmas Carol (1951)
5. White Christmas (1954)
6. A Christmas Story (1983)
7. National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (1989)
8. Scrooged (1988)
9. Home Alone (1990)
10. Jingle All the Way (1996)
11. Elf (2003)

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These cameras and accessories will preserve your holiday memories

MIKE YAWNEY
FOR METRO

For many, the holidays are a time to gather with family and friends. Why not capture those moments forever with a photo. Whether you are a seasoned professional or budding photographer, there is a camera for everyone out there. Here are a few of our choices.

Nikon D7000 — $1,179 (body only)
Perfect for the photo buff in your life. Nikon's latest entry in the dSLR market has the perfect blend of design, features and performance at a reasonable price. The D7000 features a high-resolution 16.2-megapixel DX-format CMOS sensor, three-inch super density LCD display and a Dynamic ISO range from 100 to 6400. You also have the ability to shoot 1080p HD video at 24 fps with autofocus. Two SDXC card slots ensure you never run out of storage. Lenses sold separately.

Canon Rebel T3i — $949.99
Power on, focus and shoot in less than one second! Technically classed as an entry-level dSLR camera, but don't let that fool you. An18-megapixel CMOS sensor ensures crisp, clean colour with every shot. The articulating LCD viewfinder makes it easy to capture photos at just the right angle.

Samsung MV800 — $299
This impressive 16.1-megapixel point-and-shoot camera may have a minimalist design but offers many features for those who demand more out of their camera. The three-inch touchscreen viewfinder can swivel 180 degrees to allow you to take photos from various angles.

Create breathtaking photos with the built-in software that allows you to take live panoramic shots, picture in picture or simply have fun by morphing photos with the many easy to use tools. Not ideal for low light conditions or for fast action shots.

Olympus Stylus Tough 8010 — $249.99
It's called tough for a reason! This 14-megapixel camera is shockproof, crushproof, freezeproof and waterproof to depths of 10 metres. Shoot still photos or HD video in virtually any condition!

iPhone SLR Mount — $249.99
Turn your iPhone into a SLR camera with this one-of-a-kind mount from Photojojo. This case adaptor allows you to mount Canon EOS or Nikon SLR lenses right onto your iPhone 4 or 4S. Use telephoto, wide angle or a macro lens on your phone. Finally, you can get powerful depth of field and manual focus on your iPhone.

Sony 220GB HD Camcorder with Projector — $899
Shoot 1080p video and then share it immediately with friends.
This camcorder has a built-in projector, which creates a 60-inch image on any flat surface. The 42X extended zoom makes it easy to get close to the action even if you are far away. Up to 91 hours of footage can be captured on the hard drive.

GoPro HD Hero2 — $349.99
The ideal companion for outdoors and sports enthusiasts. This tiny camera not only shoots 11 megapixel stills, it can also shoot 1080p HD video in even the most extreme conditions. Mount it to your snowboard to get footage on the half-pipe or take it along with you on your next warm vacation to get underwater footage while snorkelling.
A variety of mounts are available, allowing you to attach the camera to virtually anything, including your own body.

Nikon D7000 – $1,179 (body only), iPhone SLR Mount – $249.99, below.

Eye-Fi — starting at $49.99
Wirelessly transfer your photos and videos from your digital camera to your home computer, Facebook, YouTube or favourite online photo to website with this unique memory card. The Eye-Fi connects to the Internet via Wi Fi so you can share photos with family and friends instantly. Once photos are transferred they are automatically erased to free up room on your memory card. Available in 4GB and 8GB models

Sony Digital Photo Frame and Printer — $199.99
What's the use of taking photos if you can't share them with others? Put all of your photos on display with Sony's eight-inch digital photo frame. The frame has a USB plug-in so you can directly upload your images from a camera without using a computer. It also supports movie and music playback. The frame comes with a printer base so you can print out 4-by-6 photos instantly while they are on display!

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We have rounded up a few items — all for less than $30 — that are sure to please everyone in the family this holiday season.

Dad

Mark's Dakota Grey and Orange Cup ($12.99)
Dad can enjoy his coffee on-the-go in this stylish ceramic mug in Mark's popular grey and orange sock print. Available at Mark's, marks.com.

2Photo Up Family Album ($19.99)
This black faux-leather album detailed with a cutout on the cover to insert a family photograph and polished metal lettering spelling family displays two vertical rows of photos on each page. Fill it with treasured family photographs and dad will be delighted come Christmas morning. Available at Chapters Indigo, chapters.indigo.ca.

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THE DIRT ON WIRELESS CONTRACTS

WHY YOU MIGHT THINK TWICE ABOUT SIGNING ONE

Anne Marie Garcia's monthly mobile phone bill was through the roof — her $85 a month plan sometimes cost her between $400 and $1,000. Granted, Garcia, a 45-year-old credit union account manager in North Vancouver, called her sister in Los Angeles every morning for 30 minutes (her plan only provided 150 local daytime minutes). Plus, when she travelled, the data roaming charges added up fast. "It was ridiculous. I had to look for an alternative phone."

After 20 years of being with a large carrier, Garcia researched the cellular market and was impressed by Mobilicity's unlimited wireless network.

While she had to pay a $300 penalty to cancel the remainder of her three-year contract, Garcia said it was well worth it.

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Interestingly, contract issues are the second highest source of complaints from consumers, according the Canada's Commissioner for Complaints for Telecommunications Services (CCTS), an independent organization that works with telecommunications customers and service providers to resolve complaints about services.

Wireless contracts can be problematic in several ways. Here's a quick look.

LITTLE FLEXIBILITY

When Bob Barrett, 56, Toronto, realized his aging mother no longer used or needed her mobile phone, he contacted the carrier to cancel it.

Unfortunately, earlier in the year, he had renewed her contract for another three years. Barrett pleaded his case to a few managers but found there were no exceptions to the rules. He would have to pay an early termination fee.

CANCELLATION FEES

CCTS reports that many of the contract disputes were a result of early termination fees charged to consumers. While there is legislation in Quebec and most recently Manitoba, that protects consumers with mobile phone contracts from high cancellation fees, consumers in the rest of Canada are at the mercy of company policy. For the most part, they face large cancellation fees that are usually tied to the contract and the amount owing on the phone. For example, Barrett was advised by his provider that the cancellation fee was $400. While there's a move to pass similar legislation in Ontario, it hasn't happened yet.

SURPRISE COSTS

Despite having a contract for a plan with a set price, it's easy to rack up usage beyond what's covered in the plan — and end up with a huge bill at the end of the month. If you don't keep track of how many minutes or megabytes of data you've used... or the cost of roaming, you could get an expensive surprise when you open your next phone bill.

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Today, Mobilicity is offering great Black Friday deals on mobile phones – this on top of its 50% off regular unlimited monthly rate plans sale for the holiday season.

BREAKING A CONTRACT

If you want to take advantage of one of Mobilicity's sweet holiday deals, there are ways to get out of your mobile phone contract early, according to industry blogs and other online sources.

✓ Find someone who will take over the contract. Check websites such as cellclients.com and ca.cellswapper.com.

✓ The Utility Consumers' Action Network (ucan.org) recommends checking the fine print for grounds for cancelling.

✓ Some providers may let you cancel without penalty if you move somewhere where service isn't offered.

✓ Pay the penalty. Often it can cost less in the long run to cancel your contract and go to another carrier like Mobilicity, where you can start seeing savings on your wireless usage immediately.

HOLIDAY MAGIC ON YOUR MOBILE PHONE

KEEP TRACK OF CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

When Neluka Leanage of Toronto, goes shopping, she likes to keep track of her purchases on ***Hello Expense***. The app makes it easy to input and track her expenditures by category — and spending habits over a week, month and year. When Leanage sees she's spending too much on Christmas gifts, she can rethink her gifts list. "You can also download the data in an Excel file," says Leanage, "so you can print it out and tack it up on your bulletin board as a reminder."

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SHARING PHOTOS

Business consultant Larry Jackson of Oakville, Ont. stopped attaching jpeg files to emails ages ago. Now when he wants to share photos with his family and friends, he uses the ***Dropbox*** app. It's a storage service that lets him store photos, documents and other material so he and his family can access it from their PCs, phones or other devices. It just makes life so simple, he says.

NAME THAT TUNE

Lisa Barrett, of Newmarket, Ont., is a music aficionado... and used to find it really frustrating when she heard a song and couldn't remember the title. Now Barrett uses ***Shazam Encore***, a neat app that identifies songs instantly. Now all she has to do is hold her mobile phone up to the music and "shazam!" — it identifies the song immediately.

FOODIES REJOICE!

If you're like retiree Donna Palmer of Kelowna, B.C., you may be wondering what new delicious recipe you can serve at your holiday table this year. The ***Epicurious*** app on Palmer's smartphone lets her find recipes using a voice-recognition search. Cranberry Stuffing, Tree-Trimming Cider Punch, Shortbread Cookies... with a recipe app on your side, the possibilities are endless!

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MOVIE NIGHT

The ***Cineplex*** app is an easy way to see all the holiday blockbusters that are coming out — and you won't have to line up to buy tickets. Along with movie showtimes for every theatre in Canada, the app lets you buy tickets, watch trailers and keep up on entertainment news too. All you have to line up for is the popcorn!

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These pageturners will whet the appetites of book lovers on your gift list these holidays.

KIDS

Grandpa Green — Lane Smith

A seemingly simple story about an old man and a garden, this is a rich visual feast, page after page of brilliant memories evoked through — would you believe? — topiary. Lane Smith is one of the coolest illustrators ever and this book is a stunner.

Meet Einstein — Mariela Kleiner

An energetic and FUN book about light, gravity, and physics. Kleiner brings the story home to young readers by showing how science applies to the world they know. Yes, there are test tubes but the colourful cartoony pictures by Viviana Garofoli show kids sliding down slides and dropping things. There are just enough facts to be interesting without overbearing. A breezy, conversational tone helps readers (young and old — there's stuff for grown-ups, too) to realize how entertaining science can be.

TWEENS AND TEENS

The Emerald Atlas — John Stephens

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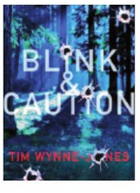
that they have to save from a vile villainess and her even more malevolent master. Sounds like the next Harry Potter, which could be the kiss of death, but don't worry. There are lots of familiar ideas, but the fantasy world is well imagined and the story is, in fact, really good.

Okay For Now — Gary Schmidt

Doug Swieteck is a regular guy living in an upstate New York town. He has a mean, dumb dad, a brother getting in trouble with the cops and another brother getting wounded in Vietnam. Doug finds himself at the library where he learns a sad secret about his favourite book — the Audubon portfolio, whose vivid drawings enthrall him and make him want to draw, too. The book is grotty, funny, tender and magic-fantastic, all at the same time.

Blink & Caution — Tim Wynne-Jones

What a fast-paced story! A street kid from Toronto witnesses an act of terrorism and has to spend the rest of the story on the run. Everything that can go wrong, does. The stakes are high and there are all sorts of misunderstandings surrounding our dynamic duo. Wynne-Jones delivers mystery and humour, likable characters and offbeat narration. I read it in one go — did not want to put it down.

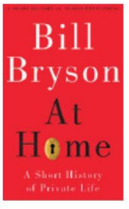


ADULTS

At Home — A Short History of Private Life — Bill Bryson

What can I say about Bill Bryson? He could, as one reviewer says, write about dryer lint and make us laugh out loud.

Over the years I have laughed and marvelled at his books of travel, his memoirs, and his examination of the English language. So I am not surprised at how much I enjoyed this foray into the world of the home. He studies it thematically, room by room, using facts and artifacts to link science and art and history together. Anecdotes wander like vines through the pages, from poisonous wallpaper to 19th-century household coal consumption (a ton a month!) to the Duke of Marlborough, who was so cheap he refused to dot his i's to save ink. Wiser and gentler than David Sedaris, but just as funny.



Better Living Through Plastic Explosives — Zsuzsi Gartner

These weird and wonderful stories are set in real and fantastic worlds, present and future. This is the wackiest book on the Giller shortlist, which may be why I like it so much. Gartner's prose is sharp, cutting and edgy. Odd glittery images pile up and then are pushed aside to make room for new ones. It's all urban and tech-savvy and cold and plastic — the title is very apt — and it could be deadly and lifeless but it isn't. It's exciting writing. Gartner is neither bored nor boring. Read Better Living and get a buzz on.

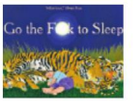
KIDS AND PARENTS

Go the F**k To Sleep

A totally credible story line — Dad can NOT get his two-year-old daughter to go to sleep and gets madder and madder as she avoids and prevaricates.

Written in a kind of parody of old style rhyming lullaby books, this is really a story about parenting. The super-sweet illustrations coupled with the potty language allow for an unexpected lightness.

It gives us parents a chance to laugh at ourselves and our anger at our kids in a near-universal human dilemma. Such a simple idea, so well done. A book I really wish I had written.



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Synopsis

- Based on two books by Colin Clark, The Prince, The Showgirl and Me and My Week with Marilyn, the movie's main character isn't Monroe, but Clark (Eddie Redmayne), the third assistant director on The Prince and the Showgirl starring Sir Laurence Olivier (Kenneth Branagh) and Monroe. It was the summer of 1956 and Clark was a 23-year-old who, like the rest of the planet, was smitten with Monroe. The two form a bond, and for a few days it looks like his love for her might actually be reciprocated.
- **Ratings:**
  Richard: ⊕⊕⊕½
  Mark: ⊕⊕⊕

HANDOUT

▶ Michelle Williams steals the show in My Week With Marilyn.

'Marilyn' charms

My Week With Marilyn gives its actors lots of chances to showcase their chops

Richard: Mark, almost 50 years after her death, Marilyn Monroe is still one of the best-known actresses in the world and yet Michelle Williams manages to bring something new to someone we thought we knew so well. Even though I liked this movie and thought that Monroe's off-screen life, as dramatic as anything she ever did on screen, is tenderly portrayed, the story isn't as interesting as the performance. What did you think?

Mark: This movie is definitely NOT the Marilyn Monroe biopic. It's a small, charming film about the havoc the sexiest woman in the world can have on those around her. The movie's fabulous first half sets up the characters, milieu, and conflicts, but then doesn't have anywhere to go. So the story is weak, as you say, but its pleasures are in the fine details, including Michelle Williams' amazing portrayal of Ms. Monroe, and the wonderful sense of time and place on a film set circa 1956. And I've never seen Kenneth Branagh better!

RC: Branagh is very good, but when placed against Williams's Monroe his work seems to lack the soul she brings to every frame of film. He does have many of the film's best lines, however. His delivery of lines like, "Trying to teach Marilyn to act is like teaching Urdu to a badger," is letter perfect and adds much to the movie but I think the Oscar nomination here will go to Williams.

MB: The movie belongs to her, no question. But there are so many finely etched smaller parts that flesh out the movie. Judi Dench as the regal Dame Sybil Thorndike and Zoe Wanamaker as prickly acting coach Paula Strasberg are both exceptional. But why was the Arthur Miller part so underwritten? And were you impressed by Eddie Redmayne as the boy who becomes a man?

RC: His story should have been titled The Week I Almost Made It with Marilyn. It might have spiced up his role a bit. He's good, I think, but when Williams and Branagh are on screen he disappears. He's a main character but unfortunately for him he's saddled with a quiet role in a movie filled with bravura performances.

MB: I thought the movie was quite funny in places, by the way; the clash of acting styles between the Brits and the Yanks made for good fun, as did Branagh's growing exasperation with his star. But the abrupt turnaround at the end of the movie where he gushes over Marilyn's "natural, intuitive talent" seemed forced and false.

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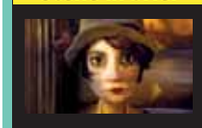

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The Descendants
Genre: Comedy/Drama
Director: Alexander Payne
Stars: George Clooney, Shailene Woodley
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Director Alexander Payne's first film since Sideways continues his exploration of men disconnected from their lives. Centred on the tough choices Matt King (Clooney) must make after his wife is left in a coma, King is forced to reconnect with his two daughters, deal with his sick wife's infidelity and shepherd a family land deal in their native Hawaii. The Descendants lays bare the raw and mixed emotions that come when making decisions without having all the answers.

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Lauded director tackles Walesa

Andrzej Wajda, 85, says his new film on former Polish president will be the greatest challenge of his career

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▶ Andrzej Wajda

Oscar winner Andrzej Wajda said Thursday that his new film on former Polish president and Solidarity founder Lech Walesa will be his greatest challenge in 55 years as a director.

"This will be the most difficult movie I have made in my life," Wajda, 85, told a news conference. "I don't want to, but I have to," he said, quoting a line Walesa coined and often used while president in the early 1990s.

Wajda — the director of The Promised Land and Katyn — begins shooting Walesa on Dec. 1 in the Baltic port city of Gdansk, where in 1980 then-unemployed electrician Walesa seized the reins of a shipyard wage protest and turned it into a nationwide solidarity movement that helped lead to the downfall of communism a decade later. Wajda described Walesa as a hero who had a "true victory" in leading Poland out of decades of Moscow-imposed communism and into sovereignty, without any lives being lost. The director said documentary footage from the Walesa-led strike in the Gdansk shipyard and the ensuing successful talks with communist authorities will be woven into the movie that is to debut in Poland in the fall of 2012.

Janusz Glowacki — an off-Broadway Polish playwright — has written the screenplay. Glowacki said the aim of his script is to portray Walesa as a "fascinating person," not build a monument to him. "I tried to put together things heroic with funny things," Glowacki said, adding that he wanted to show Walesa as a "giant who stumbles, falls but then rises."

Polish actors Robert Wieckiewicz and Agnieszka Grochowska will play the roles of Walesa and his wife, Danuta. The movie will span the period between the worker street protests of 1970, in which Walesa took part, to his speech before the U.S. Congress in the fall of 1989, shortly after the end of communism in Poland and a year before he became the first popularly elected president.

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Silent film making a big noise

The Artist is a dream for film fans and a dilemma for movie-marketing executives Is an Oscar in its future?

In an age of widescreen 3D, rainbow-coloured, star-driven spectacles, how do you sell a black-and-white film shot in a 2D boxy format, with no A-listers and barely a word of spoken dialogue?

There's only one answer. Make people love it so much they do the selling for you, talking it up as one of the freshest, cleverest and sweetest nights out at the movies they've had in a while.

A throwback to the silent-film era, The Artist has been winning over audiences since premiering at last May's Cannes Film Festival, and could become the first serious silent contender at the Academy Awards since the earliest years of the Oscars.

A couple of years ago, French writer-director Michel Hazanavicius felt utterly alone thinking that a silent movie might have a place in today's digital cinema era.

"It's something I had in mind for a long, long time, but it's very hard to find the money," Hazanavicius said at September's Toronto International Film Festival, where The Artist also played.

"It was like a fantasy. Oh, my dream would be to produce a silent movie. And people would say, 'Yeah, yeah, but in real life, what do you want to do?"'

Then came Hazanavicius' two OSS 117 spy spoofs, both hits in France. With fresh box-office clout, he pitched his silent-movie idea to producer Thomas Langmann.

"Everybody thought I was crazy, and then I found someone more crazy than I was," Hazanavicius said. "He said, 'OK, let's do it.'"

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DIRECTOR MICHEL HAZANAVICIUS

Hazanavicius recruited French star Jean Dujardin, his OSS 117 leading man, for the title role of The Artist, 1920s Hollywood silent-film sensation George Valentin, whose fortunes abruptly slide as the sound era takes over.

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▶ Michel Hazanavicius, right, writer and director of The Artist and his wife, cast member Berenice Bejo.

As George tumbles from the top to the bottom, rising talkies star Peppy Miller (Hazanavicius' wife, Berenice Bejo), becomes a guardian angel trying to look out for her former idol.

Shot in Los Angeles, The Artist grandly recreates old Hollywood and beautifully weaves from comedy to melodrama, lively action to clever dance numbers. Almost all of the scant dialogue is told the old-fashioned way — through title cards — but The Artist is far from silent. The film features a gorgeous, jazzy musical score and brilliant sound effects that pop from the speakers during otherwise hushed sequences.

While Dujardin and Bejo are relatively unknown to U.S. audiences, the supporting cast includes such Hollywood regulars as John Goodman, James Cromwell, Missi Pyle, Malcolm McDowell and Penelope Ann Miller. The film also co-stars a scene-stealing canine, Uggie, a Jack Russell terrier who is George's constant companion and co-star in his big-screen silent adventures.

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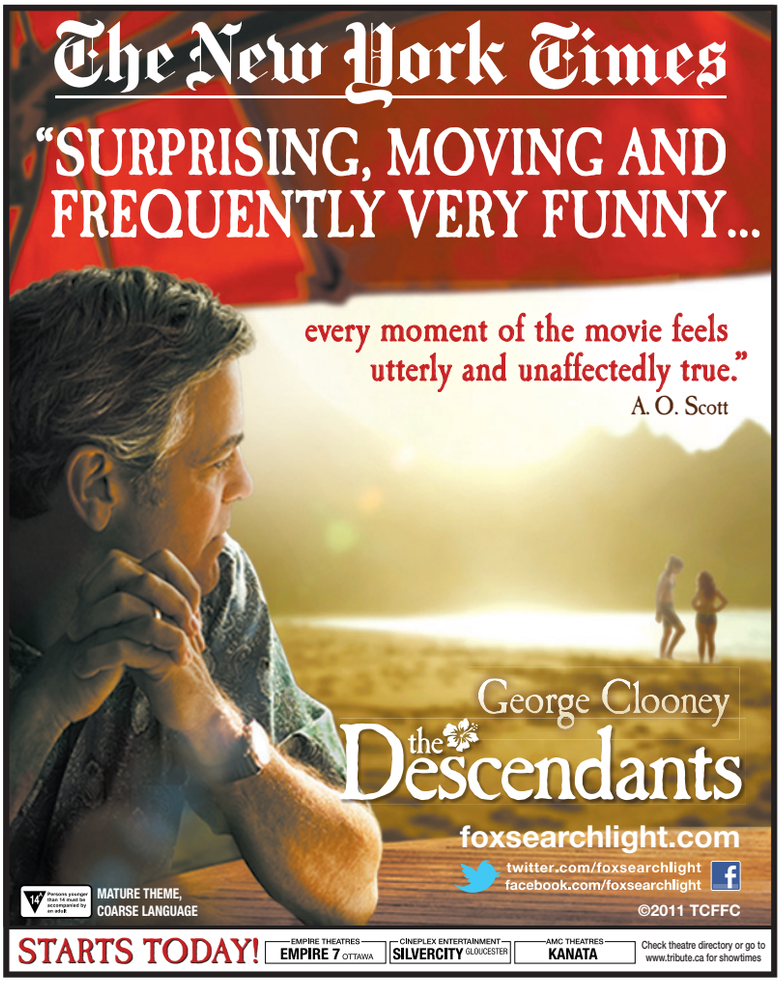


We give thanks for these films

With Thanksgiving weekend underway down south, we thought we'd show our gratitude for these great flicks

It's Thanksgiving weekend in the U.S., with our southern neighbours reflecting on the people and things for which they're grateful. Since we love movies, we thought it would be a good time to choose five for which we're thankful. These are the cinematic equivalent of comfort food; ones that can be watched over and over again, and always rely on making you laugh, lift you up or provide an escape. (The inclusion of anything by John Hughes goes without saying.) Ask us next week and this list might be different. But for this weekend, dig in.

Rushmore (1998)

This remains Wes Anderson's best movie. Young Jason Schwartzman, making his film debut, stars as Max Fischer, who's involved in everything at the exclusive Rushmore Academy. A restrained Bill Murray is hilarious as the depressed father of a couple of Max's classmates, with whom Max forms an unlikely friendship — until they fall for the affections of the first-grade teacher.

The Sound of Music (1965)

Yes, it's a huge movie and a classic, winner of five Academy Awards. But there's something so personal about it; we all grew up watching it — it's one of those movies that is on television every year around the holidays. Why shouldn't Julie Andrews be able to come up with just the perfect, inspiring tune on the spot, or make play clothes out of drapes for all seven Von Trapp children, and still find time to make goo-goo eyes at the captain?

This is Spinal Tap (1984)

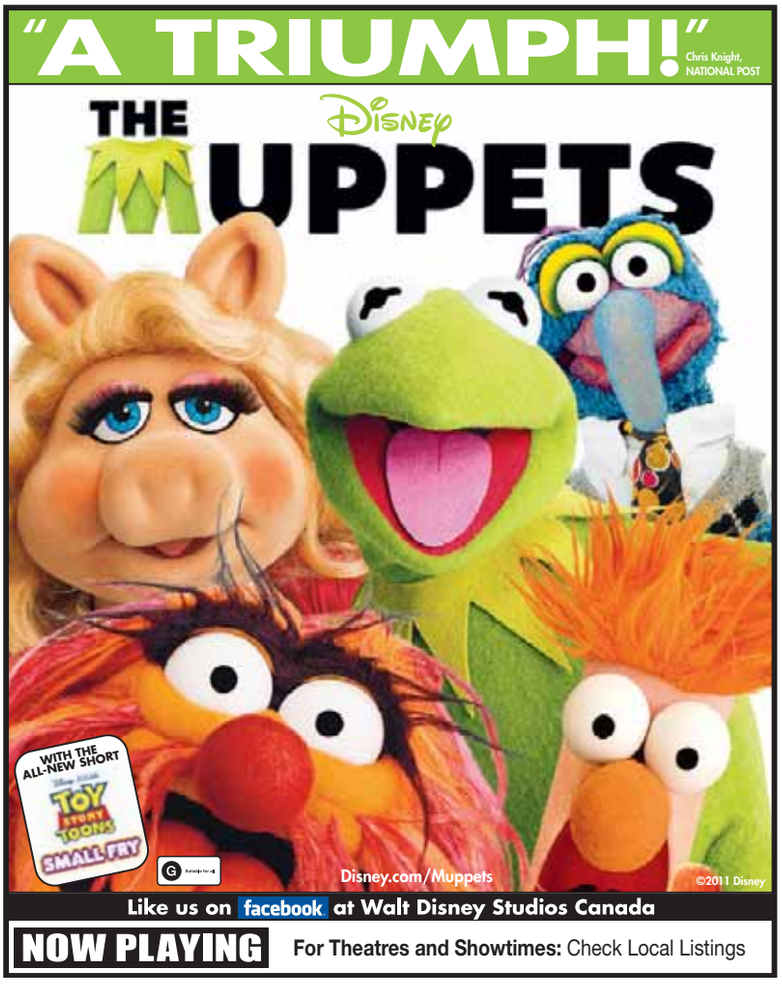
Pretty much the greatest mockumentary ever, the one that launched Christopher Guest's entire oeuvre. So many great, quotable lines. So many ridiculous songs in this fake behind-the-scenes look at a spectacularly awful and over-the-top British rock band. So many small, deadpan ad-libs that produce huge laughs.

The Big Lebowski (1998)

Admittedly, this is not the Coen brothers' best film, but the cult of Lebowski is just too powerful. There's something hypnotic about it: the way The Dude navigates the increasingly surreal adventure in which he's found himself. Bowling, Vietnam, white Russians, porn, a toe with green nail polish on it and a crucial rug all collide in weird and wonderful ways. No matter what Jeff Bridges accomplishes, he will always be The Dude.

Sleeping Beauty (1959)

This Disney animated film is an uncharacteristically chickish choice on our part, given its themes of a woman in peril who needs a man to rescue her. So no, it's not terribly forward-thinking. But when you were little didn't it all seem so romantic? Aurora was so gorgeous and graceful, tall and blond, the epitome of feminine beauty back then. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Celebrities lace 'em up

Goon comes to theatres next year, so we look at Hollywood's hockey love

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When you think of stars on ice, images of former Olympians in sequins are conjured well ahead of celebs making saucer passes and slamming each other into the boards.

But many Hollywood types bitten by the hockey bug need a fix every now and then. Producer Jerry Bruckheimer, best known for blockbuster films like Top Gun and Armageddon, has been organizing low-key weekly pickup hockey games catering to celebrities craving ice time for over a decade. The game has since snagged many notables in its wide net.

Michael Bublé

Growing up in Burnaby, B.C., the jazzy crooner worshipped the Vancouver Canucks. If his hockey skills were on par with his pipes he would've traded in all the Grammy awards for a shot at hockey glory in a heartbeat. While on tour in the U.K. last year in between gigs, Bublé suited up and took a practice with the EIL's Nottingham Panthers. "Take your best shots at me and keep the elbows high," he goaded the team before taking to the ice.

Steve Carell

Long before presiding over the paper pushers at Dunder Mifflin as alter ego Michael Scott, Carell played goalie on his high school hockey team in Concord, Mass. On a season 2 episode of The Office, Carell takes the gang out ice-skating to celebrate his birthday and shows up in full hockey gear, stick and all. "I thought about playing in the NHL but you're on the road so much you have no time to spend with your wife and kids…and I really want a wife and kids," he quipped, explaining the get-up.

Taylor Kitsch

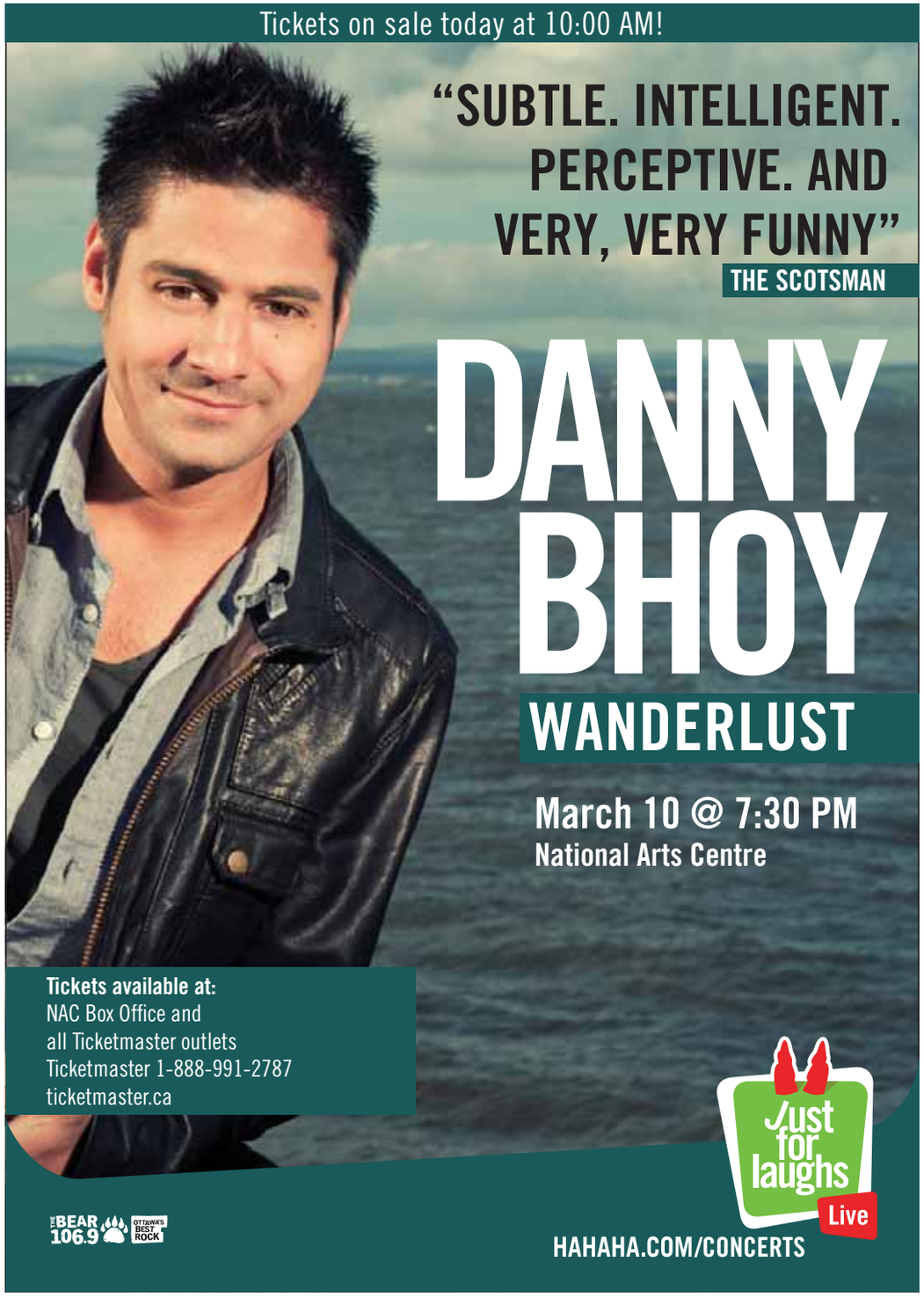
Wonder why Tim Riggins was so good at laying people out on Friday Night Lights? Growing up in Kelowna B.C., Kitch (best known for his role as the buff, constantly brooding Dillon Panthers fullback on Friday Night Lights) played Junior A hockey in the BCHL for the Langley Hornets. While filming FNL he played pickup hockey in Austin, Texas with other expat puck heads and he's also participated in one of Luc Robitaille's Celebrity Shoot Outs.

Justin Bieber

The Biebs was going top shelf on goalies and rocking opponents against the boards long before he topped the pop charts as a Billboard #1 fixture. Along with skateboarding and chess, hockey is one of Stratford, Ont's most famous son's way of unwinding when he's not performing in arenas or being chased like a Beatle. When he moved to Atlanta to start recording and before his touring schedule got too hectic, Bieber played the 2008-2009 season with the Atlanta Knights hockey team wearing #18 and has been known to schedule a little skate around on days off from the singing grind.

Dierks Bentley

Despite toting his hockey gear wherever he goes, this country star has gotten more hurt performing than skating around on the ice. He once tore his ACL jumping off a stage riser. Playing hockey he's never suffered anything worse than a hard puck to the shin. He's said that for him concerts are like hockey games in that when he goes out on stage he tapes his boots in the same fashion that he laces his skates — using duct tape.



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BYTOWNE CINEMA
325 Rideau St., 613-789-3456

Delicatessen (STC) Mon 9:15 Tue 4:35
Melancholia (PG) Fri 6:40 Sat 4:05-9:20 Sun 6:05 Mon 4 Tue 9:15 Wed 9:20 Thu 6:40
Midnight in Paris (PG) Fri 4:35 Sat 2 Sun 1:30
Revenge of the Electric Car (STC) Wed 7
Take Shelter (STC) Fri 9:25 Sat 6:50 Sun 3:35-8:50 Mon-Tue 6:45 Wed 4:30 Thu 9:25

CANADIAN FILM INSTITUTE
2 Daly Ave., Suite 120, 613-232-6727

The Artist (14A) Wed 7
Atsisveikinimas: Laimingo Zmogaus Istorija (STC) Tue 7
Felicia, Inainte de Toate (STC) Sat 9
The Fruit Trees of Athens (STC) Mon 7
Fuga Dal Call Center (STC) Thu 7
A Halálba Táncoltatott Leány (STC) Sat 7
Protektor (STC) Fri 7
Se Min Kjole (STC) Fri 9
Surnuaiavahi Tütar (STC) Sun 7

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF NATURE
240 aMcLeod St., 613-566-4700

No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon-Wed
Sea Monsters 3D: A Prehistoric Adventure (STC) Fri 10:30-11:40-12:50-2 Sat-Sun 1:14-10-11:10-12:55-1:30-2:40-3:50 Thu 4-5:10-5:45-6:55 Fri 11:05-12:15-1:25 Sat-Sun 10:35-12:20-2:05-3:15 Thu 4:35-6:20

CENTRETOWN MOVIES
Dundonald Park, 512 Somerset St. W., 613-232-1534, centretownmovies.org

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COLISEUM OTTAWA
3090 Carling Ave., 613-596-9475

Arthur Christmas (G) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:40 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Arthur Christmas 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 3:45-6:40-9:15
Ben-Hur (STC) Sun 12:30
Collaborators (STC) Thu 7
Happy Feet Two (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:20-3:20-6:45-9:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:25-6:45-9:20
Happy Feet Two 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 1-4:20-7:25-10 No Passes Sun 7:25-10 No Passes Mon 4:20-10 No Passes Tue-Thu 4:20-7:25-10
Hugo 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:30-4:40-7:30-10:15 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:40-7:30-10:15
Immortals (18A) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:15-7:15-9:55 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:15-9:55
J. Edgar (PG) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:40-6:50-9:50 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:50-9:50
Jack and Jill (PG) Fri-Sun 12:55-3:35-7:05-9:35 Mon-Thu 3:35-7:05-9:35
The Muppets (G) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:50-4-7-9:45 No Passes Mon-Thu 4-7-9:45
Puss in Boots (G) Fri-Sun 1:20-4:30-7:20-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:20-9:40
Raiders of the Lost Ark (STC) Mon 7
Tower Heist (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:50-6:35-9:10 Mon-Wed 3:50-6:35-9:10 Thu 3:50
The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1 (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30 No Passes Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:10-7:10-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1

EMPIRE 7 CINEMAS
111 Albert St., 3rd Floor, World Exchange Plaza, 613-233-0209

The Descendants (14A) Fri 3:30-6:30-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:20 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:20
Happy Feet Two (PG) Fri 3:50-6:50-9:05 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:05 Mon-Wed 3:50-6:50-9:05 Thu 3:50
Hugo (PG) Fri 3:40-6:40-9:15 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:15 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:15
J. Edgar (PG) Fri 3:20-6:20-9:10 Sat-Sun 12:20-3:20-6:20-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:20-6:20-9:10
Like Crazy (14A) Fri 3:35-6:35-9:35 Sat-Sun 12:35-3:35-6:35-9:35 Mon-Thu 3:35-6:35-9:35
Margin Call (STC) Fri 3:45-6:45-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:45-9:30
Martha Marcy May Marlene (14A) Fri 3:25-6:25-9:25 Sat-Sun 12:25-3:25-6:25-9:25 Mon-Thu 3:25-6:25-9:25
National Theatre Live: Collaborators (STC) Thu 7

MAYFAIR THEATRE
1074 Bank St., 613-730-3403, mayfair-movie.com

The Big Lebowski (14A) Sat 8:45
Contagion (PG) Fri 8:45 Mon-Tue 8:45 Wed 7
Exit the Dragon, Enter the Tiger (STC) Fri 11
A Matter of Taste: Serving Up Paul Liebrandt (14A) Fri-Sat 7 Mon-Tue 7 Thu 7
Restless (PG) Wed 9:15 Thu 8:45
Strange Shadows in an Empty Room (STC) Sat 11:15
While You Were on Facebook (STC) Sun 9

OTTAWA FAMILY CINEMA
710 Broadview Ave., 613-722-8218, familycinema.ca

Johnny English Reborn (PG) Sat 2:30
No Films Showing Today (STC) Fri Sun-Thu

RAINBOW CINEMAS
St. Laurent Centre, 1200 St. Laurent Blvd., 613-688-0850

50/50 (14A) Fri-Thu 10:10-6:50-9
Dolphin Tale (G) Fri-Thu 12:10-2:25-4:40
Drive (18A) Fri-Thu 9:25
Footloose (PG) Fri-Wed 10:30-1-7 Thu 10:30-7 Thu 1
The Help (PG) Fri-Thu 10:20-1:05-3:50-6:40
The Ides of March (14A) Fri-Thu 12:45-5-9:20
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Moneyball (PG) Fri-Thu 6:30-9:15
Paranormal Activity 3 (14A) Fri-Thu 3:25-5:10-9:30
The Smurfs (G) Fri-Thu 10-12:05-2:15-4:30

RIDEAU CENTRE CINEMAS
50 Rideau St., 613-234-3712

Arthur Christmas 3D (G) No Passes Fri 4:45-6:45-9 No Passes Sat-Sun 2-4:45-6:45-9 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:45-6:45-9
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SOUTH KEYS
2214 Bank St., 613-736-1115

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CANADIAN MUSEUM OF CIVILIZATION
100 rue Laurier, 819-776-7010

Born to Be Wild 3D (STC) Fri 12:55-3 Sat-Sun 10:45-3 Mon 10:45 Tue-Wed 10:45-3 Thu 11:50-3
Coral Reef Adventure (STC) Sat 8:05 Sun 7:10 Tue 8:05
Coraux du Pacifique (STC) Fri 8:05 Wed-Thu 8:05
L'Express des Rocheuses (STC) Fri 4-7 Sat-Sun 4 Mon 12:55 Tue 4-7 Wed 12:55-4 Thu 12:55-4-7
Nes Pour Etre Libres 3D (STC) Fri 10:45 Sat-Sun 12:55 Tue 12:55
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CINÉ-CAMPUS UQO
283 rue St-Jean-Bosco, 819-773-1888

CINÉMA DES GALERIES D'AYLMER
400 boul. Wilfrid-Lavigne, 819-248-2526

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CINÉ-STARZ
1100 boul. Maloney Ouest, 819-568-8000

Le Bonheur des autres (13+) Mon-Thu 2-7:50-9:35
Café de Flore (G) Fri-Sun 5-9:05 Mon-Thu 1:50-7:25-9:30
Enlèvement (G) Fri-Sun 5:30-9:15 Mon-Thu 12-5:30
Espions en herbe 4 : Tout le temps du monde (G) Fri-Sun 12-1:50-3:25
Footloose (G) Fri-Sun 12-2-7:05 Mon-Thu 12-3:50-5:50
Gants d'acier (G) Fri-Sun 1:35-3:50-6:05-8:20 Mon-Thu 12-2:15-4:30-6:45-9
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Les Schtroumpfs (STC) Fri-Sun 12-1:50-3:40-7:25 Mon-Thu 12-3:55
Starbuck (G) Mon-Thu 5:45

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1779 boul. Maloney Est, 819-663-0915

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Monsieur Lazhar (G) Fri 6:50-9:05 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:05-6:50-9:05 Mon 6:50-9:05 Tue 12:50-3:05-6:50-9:05 Wed-Thu 6:50-9:05
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La saga Twilight: Révélation 1re partie (G) Fri 6:30-7:10-9:20-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:20-1:10-3:10-3:50-6:30-7:10-9:20-9:50 Mon 6:30-7:10-9:20-9:50 Tue 12:20-1:10-3:10-3:50-6:30-7:10-9:20-9:50 Wed-Thu 6:30-7:10-9:20-9:50

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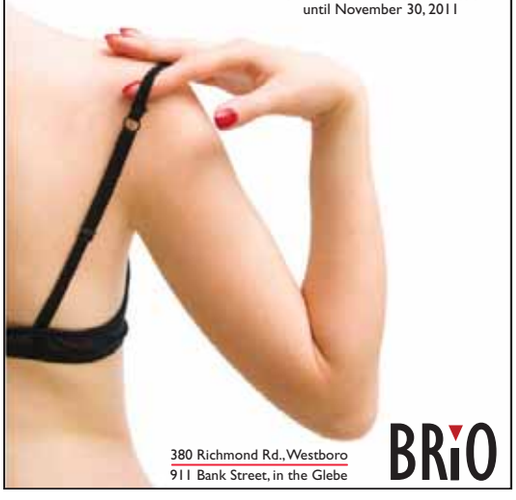
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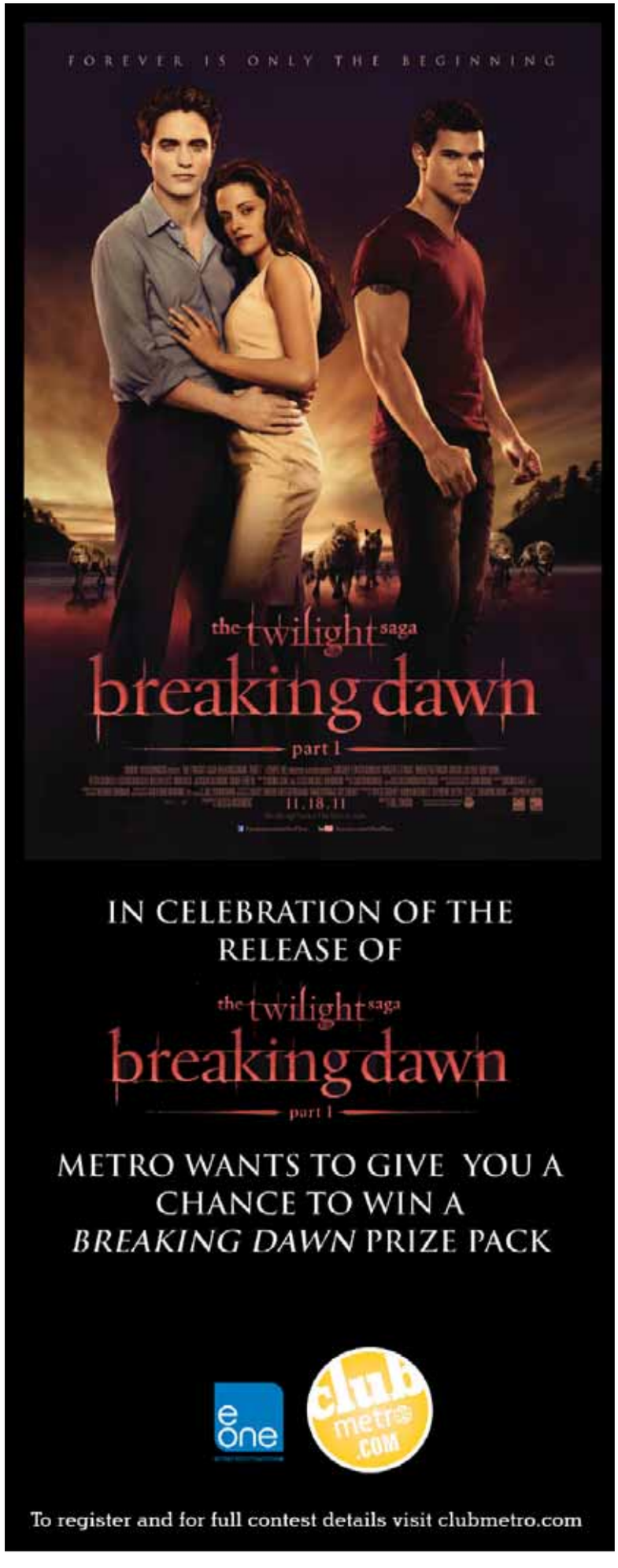

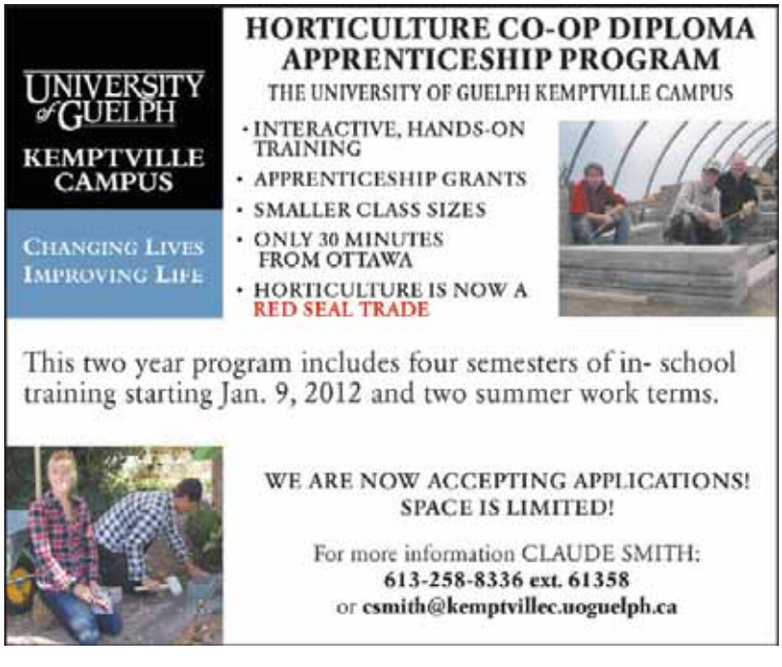

Hate if you want, someone buys it

Nickelback has sold over 50 million records worldwide The world's most unpopular popular band returns

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They got their big break in 2001 with the release of Silver Side Up.

Since then, post-grunge rockers Nickelback have sold an astonishing 50 million records. Here and Now, which was released this week, is their seventh studio album.

"On Here and Now, there's something for everyone, from really aggressive rock to more melodious pop," the band's front man and singer Chad Kroeger tells Metro.

After the release of their last album in 2008, the band went on a two-year-tour.

Since then they have reloaded and recorded a new album in their own studio in Vancouver.

"Right now we're in the honeymoon phase — the fans still haven't heard the album so we can still enjoy it all to ourselves. As soon as it's released it will be a different thing."

Guitarist Ryan Peake says the band is planning to include countries they haven't played in for a long time on their new tour.

"We could do our usual route, but we are keen to give something back to fans who haven't seen us for many years," says Ryan Peake.

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▶ Chad Kroeger and Ryan Peake

RECORD STORE NOSTALGIA THICK FOR AUDIOPHILES

SOUND CHECK

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As CD sales continue to crater, record stores have to reinvent themselves.

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▶ Something has been lost in the modern world of music.

Naturally, some of us grow misty at what record store shopping used to be like.

No. 1: Separate sections for vinyl, CDs and pre-recorded cassettes
People forgot that pre-recorded cassettes were briefly better sellers than vinyl or CDs. Back in the middle '80s, if you couldn't find that album on one format, chances are you'd find it in one of the other sections.

No. 2: The 45 section
I used to spend hours flipping through the singles section at Sam the Record Man. I couldn't afford full albums but I could afford a 99-cent 45. This store had rows and rows and rows of them. Funny how the price hasn't changed.

No. 3: The longbox
Retailers initially resisted stocking CDs because they had spent millions on shelving displays for both vinyl and cassettes. Now the labels wanted more investment in new shelving? A compromise was reached in the form of the "longbox," wasteful paper and/or plastic packaging that was about as wide as a CD but 12 inches long. This meant two rows of CDs could occupy the same bin space as one row of albums. The worst ones were all-plastic heat-sealed ones that required industrial tinsnips to open.

No. 4: Midnight Record Sales
In the days before the Internet, the only way to be the first of your friends to own the new album from your favourite group was to line up outside the record store on the day it came out. If the album was big enough, stores would stay open past midnight and at 12:01am on the release day, they'd let everyone in to buy the record.

No. 5: The big record catalogue
Somewhere in these old record stores was a giant catalogue of available albums and singles across all genres. Generally it was clamped to a heavy stand somewhere that the clerks could make sure that no one was ripping out pages. This is where one would look to see if a record that wasn't in stock was even available. If it was, you'd order it by its catalogue number. If you were lucky, you'd have the record in a couple of weeks.

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Which way to Carnegie Hall?

Mraz talks about his journey and how his performances have found their way to the biggest venues on Earth

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It's nighttime in Indonesia when we get Jason Mraz on the phone, although day broke just a few hours prior in New York.

Mraz is in Bali for his latest tour, which features just him and percussionist Toca Rivera performing at iconic venues like the Sydney Opera House and, this week, Carnegie Hall.

Mraz gave us some insight into these stripped-down shows.

How's your tour going so far?
I can't complain because we're in Bali at the moment, and I never thought that my tours would bring me here.

The night before last we played in Taiwan to a captive crowd of 3,000 people. As a musician, you get spoiled when an audience gives you the silence that you crave.

When there's a silent cavern for you to perform in, the sound truly exists in its truest form and I get off on that.

Why did you decide to play Carnegie Hall?
We really just tried to pick great locations and great venues that we've always wanted to play, because this isn't about promoting an album — we're just having an opportunity to put our music out there.

We could come to New York and play in any theatre or club, and our fans would come, but why not give them the experience of Carnegie Hall as well?

And for the musician, it's perhaps the pinnacle. It's what you to aspire to, to play in these historic venues.

I've played in more than one basketball court, and arena, and coliseum, but when you get to play in a venue that was created specifically for music or art, then the words, the lyrics — it's going to be so much more powerful in that space, as will the receiving of those words, the listening.

Are things different when you play these songs now, as opposed to when you first wrote them?
I think the only thing that's changed, honestly, other than time, are little silly things like hotel accommodations.

The core of what we do is the same: We're still singing songs about gratitude, transformation, self-awareness, love, self-empowerment — it's just really human stuff.

One of your shows at Carnegie Hall will be just for children. Do you have babies on the brain or something?
I don't have babies on the brain (laughs), but I have many friends who do have babies on their laps.

I've written a few songs in the past couple of years that I've set aside because I've said, "These sound like they belong on a kids album."

Reintroducing these songs in a kids show seems like the best place to test the material out before I do dive into something like a kids album, which I think will show up in the next couple of years.

It's not that I wanna make an album for kids, it's that I wanna make an album for the parents who I know have to listen to kids albums a thousand times in a row.

My brother, for instance, who has a five-year-old son, we get in the car and the most absurd music comes on and the song is on repeat — I don't know what it is, but it's all like noise and bells and whistles and goofy voices and stuff, so I have compassion for him and wanna make an album for that.

You have a new album set to come out in 2012?
Yeah, it's finally finished. It isn't a departure from anything that we've done in the past — there's certainly a new sound but it isn't a departure from the genre. The sound is rich in texture, I think the vocal performances are strong (and) the themes tie together really well on this album. I've always been a writer that likes to explore the contradictions, or the paradoxes, in life, or the balance in life, and how all of it I think is necessary, so this new album just kinda carries on that same path of thought.

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From Smashing Pumpkins to smashing people

Billy Corgan starts independent Chicago wrestling company

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Billy Corgan

The long-standing relationship between rock music and professional wrestling has a new partner: Billy Corgan.

The Smashing Pumpkins frontman has joined with two wrestling promoter brothers to debut the first show of Resistance Pro, an indie wrestling company, on Friday at a downtown Chicago dance club. Corgan describes himself as a childhood wrestling fan who fell away from it, only to rediscover it as an adult hobby before learning about the business.

"Our vision is to try to grow talent," Corgan said in an interview from Europe, where the Smashing Pumpkins are on tour. The Chicago-area native will miss Resistance Pro's opening night, but co-owner and promoter Gabe Baron says a second show will be announced at the Friday event.

"We have people who are going to work for us who are pretty well known on the indie circuit," Corgan said. "You have to start somewhere, and part of that is creating a curiosity in the audience."

Resistance Pro's website boasts pictures of more than two dozen costumed wrestling personalities with names like The Sheik, Danny Dominion and Sassy Stephie.

Eventually Resistance Pro's goal is to expand nationally, but not using Corgan's celebrity alone. Still, the rocker's picture is the largest, placed among five wrestlers on an advertisement for Friday's show.

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Mastodon: The recipe for metal

Their latest offering — The Hunter — includes a wealth of additional download options Continue to hold album imagery dear to their hearts

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Troy Sanders of Mastodon performs during day two of the Coachella Valley Music & Arts Festival in 2009.

If there's one thing about heavy metal that's often overlooked, it's that the music is as theatrically intense as it is sonically relentless.

Take Mastodon, who returned this fall with The Hunter — a proper follow-up to the Atlanta metalheads' critically acclaimed Crack the Skye.

Not only does The Hunter include a download code for a nifty 3D, interactive Augmented Reality Experience to play with, but the intricate cover also captures Mastodon's rich, mythology-themed music.

"You have to make a good representation of what's on the inside on the outside," co-guitarist and singer Bill Kelliher says.

"We're all fans of mythology and dinosaurs and big creatures — the unknown and weird things. All the things that 14-year-old boys are interested in."

Kelliher pauses, realizing that he just equated Mastodon with juveniles.

"We're all still like kids in that way," he said.

As an actual kid growing up in Rochester, N.Y., Kelliher would browse record stores — and more often than not, it was an album cover that got him hooked before the music.

"I'd pick up the Agnostic Front records, or Iron Maiden's, and think, 'Wow, this must be awesome,'" he recalls.

"You look at Slayer's Reign In Blood and think, 'Wow, this is sick!'"

Indeed, we do.

"That's what drew me in to listening to Iron Maiden or Slayer. It piques your curiosity. If there's a dumb photo of the band on the cover you think, 'What is this crap?' That's not interesting to me."

Hunting

Artwork aside, it's the music that galvanized critics to high praise when The Hunter emerged.

Quote: "We're doing the best we can," says Kelliher. "We had a month before we left for a European tour. I didn't think we were ready to go into the studio, but lo and behold, all of a sudden we had this amazing f—ing record. It was an outpouring of creativity."

A full-bellied appreciation

History of food, pleasures of eating detailed in Adam Gopnik's new book It is linked to his book on winter

Acclaimed New Yorker essayist Adam Gopnik toured Canada recently to deliver Massey Lectures on his chosen theme, winter, and he returned this week to talk about another subject close to his heart — food.

Winter: Five Windows on the Season was written simultaneously with The Table Comes First: Family, France and the Meaning of Food, and Gopnik allows that related engagements have kept him on the go for several weeks now.

In addition to keeping their author busy, the books are "linked or allied," he said in an interview at his publisher's office.

"They're both very much about — how can I put this? — the elaboration of meaning in places where you wouldn't expect a lot of meaning to arise: In what previously had been seen as a bleak and forbidding season, winter, and what previously before modern times had often been seen as a human necessity rather than a human desire, as a need rather than as a desire."

HANDOUT

▶ Adam Gopnik

In modern times, people stand at the window and watch snowstorms, he said, and they sit at the table with their families. If they're lucky, there is an abundance of food and they have to decide what to do with it.

Gopnik, 55, is an American who spent many of his formative years in Montreal, and his parents and wife, son and daughter have Canadian citizenship. His scientist mother has been a huge influence in his appreciation of food.

"It's not so much the recipes that she taught me, the 'do this, do that,' it's that your nerve endings become attuned to the nerve endings of your mentor. I'm never scared by a recipe. I can sort of visualize my mother beating egg whites or making a creme anglaise or something like that."

In the book, he declares that he loves to eat — simple food, fancy food, eating out, eating at home.

Now that the weather has turned colder, Gopnik surmised that people across North America are spending more time in their kitchens and dining rooms.

In fact, he said the kitchen is the place where people do a lot of their serious eating and talking, whipping up scrambled eggs at 11:30 at night or having their "Dad, I'm gay," conversations.

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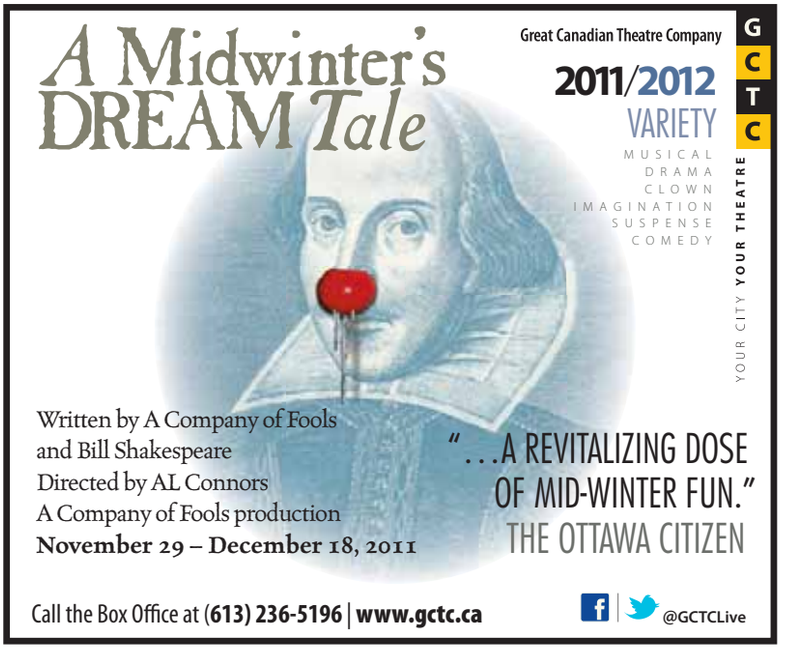
Sentimental title

- The title of the book, The Table Comes First, was inspired by a conversation with British chef Fergus Henderson, who said he couldn't understand how a young couple could begin life by buying a sofa or a television.
- In Gopnik's case, he and his wife Martha started out with a little travertine coffee table in their tiny New York City apartment, and later they were able to enlarge it with a wooden overlay built by his mother.



Hell on Wheels is an 'important show'

Common plays a slave in role that defies stereotypes about slavery

FREDERICK M. BROWN/GETTY IMAGES

▶ Actors Common, left, and Anson Mount attend the Premiere of AMC's Hell on Wheels in Los Angeles.

The history of slavery in America is a history of resistance and rebellion. Yet, movies and TV do not always showcase those themes.

That's one reason why the rapper Common is excited about AMC's new series, Hell on Wheels, a Western that chronicles the building of the transcontinental railroad.

Common plays mixed-raced former slave Elam Ferguson, who works on the rail system.

Portraying a slave, he says, is a big deal, particularly because his character defies the stereotypes often seen in films and television.

"A lot of times we've seen slaves obviously going through so much pain and trouble, they were oppressed and downtrodden, so it was more of a lower position. (My character) has been through a lot of things, but is holding his head up high and his shoulders are up strong," says Common, who was born Lonnie Rashid Lynn Jr.

At first, Common says he wasn't interested in a TV role, but then his agent suggested he read the script for Hell on Wheels. Common says it's the first time he has played a character so complex.

The Grammy-winning entertainer researched by reading about African slaves of the 19th century and visiting former plantations in South.

He calls his journey "deep" and "heavy."

"I feel blessed that I'm able to represent what a black man, what a black person was at that time," he says, "but it definitely was some weight and some pain."

The series, which airs Sundays at 10 p.m. ET, was filmed in Canada.

It centres on Cullen Bohannon (Anson Mount), a former Confederate soldier and slaveholder who is avenging the death of his wife.

Bonhannon set his slaves free a year before the Civil War. He takes a job overseeing the workers on the transcontinental railroad, which includes Elam Ferguson (Common).

Common, who appeared in Smokin' Aces, American Gangster and Terminator Salvation, and does a voice in Happy Feet Two, says the show focuses on issues that still exist in today's world.

"Things that we try to hide and put under the table, things that we act like, 'Oh no, that's not how I feel' — some of that is still there from hundreds of years back. It's still in us and we've got to remove it," he says.

"Along with it just being entertaining and being fresh — it's an important show." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

N-word

- One experience in filming the show was really difficult for Common: when white cast members used the N-word.
- "Even if you try to think that they're acting, it still just doesn't feel right," he says. "You get that feeling like, 'Man, this is not good.'"

TV PICKS

Iron Man powers onto the screen

Most scripted network series have Friday night off thanks to U.S. Thanksgiving, but there's a bevy of feature films on offer instead.

Fox and Global will show the comic-book extravaganza Iron Man, NBC and CTV counter with the Nicolas Cage adventure National Treasure: Book of Secrets.

On ABC and CTV Two, meanwhile, is the animated smash Shrek the Third.

Get your Christmas fill early

It's less than a month until Christmas and your TV will not let you forget it.

But it's tough to resent the inevitable flood of holiday-themed specials when the programming is as enjoyable as Will Ferrell's goofy 2003 comedy Elf, which airs Saturday on Showcase following the 1997 family film Dear Santa.

Not feeling festive yet?

Of course, it's still November, and if you're not in the holiday spirit yet, don't fret — there are plenty of other feature-length films on offer Saturday. CTV is showing the Jerry Seinfeld-starred animated film Bee Movie and W has the popular Jennifer Aniston weepy Marley & Me. And with Jason Segel's new Muppets film currently headlining cinema marquees around the world, Peachtree TV is broadcasting his hilarious 2007 comedy I Love You, Man. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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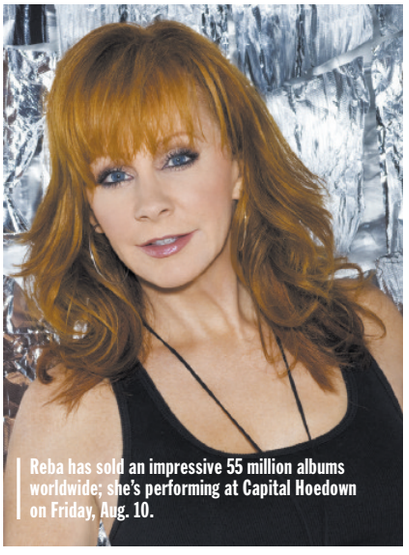
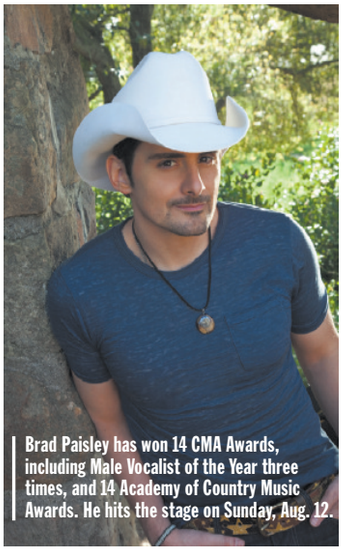
Taylor Swift has only one scheduled North American performance in 2012: Capital Hoedown on Saturday, Aug. 11.


Reba has sold an impressive 55 million albums worldwide; she's performing at Capital Hoedown on Friday, Aug. 10.


Brad Paisley has won 14 CMA Awards, including Male Vocalist of the Year three times, and 14 Academy of Country Music Awards. He hits the stage on Sunday, Aug. 12.

TAYLOR, REBA AND BRAD TO PERFORM AT CAPITAL HOEDOWN 2012

RONNIE DUNN ALSO ON THE BILL

Attention, country music fans! Mark your calendars; the lineup for Capital Hoedown 2012 has been announced and it's bigger and better than ever.

"Our first year, we had traditional country artists, and last year, it was all new country," says Denis Benoit, President and CEO of Concert International. "This year, what we've done is we've brought them both together."

Making her only scheduled appearance in 2012 so far, Taylor Swift will perform at the third edition of Capital Hoedown, one of North America's biggest country music festivals.

The one and only Reba, the Queen of Country, will also perform a headlining set, as will Brad Paisley, one of country music's biggest superstars.

There is a good mix of traditional and newer country artists in Capital Hoedown 2012's lineup, meaning there is something for everyone.

With a lineup this big, Benoit says a change of venue was in order to accommodate a much larger audience.

Capital Hoedown 2012 will take place Aug. 10-12 at Walter Baker Park (Terry Fox Drive at Maple Grove Road) — a Kanata venue that is big enough to host more than 30,000 people.

"We simply outgrew LeBreton Flats. Our attendance doubled from year one to year two and we're expecting the crowd to double again in 2012," he explains. "We had to look at other options and we think Walter Baker Park is the ideal venue for Capital Hoedown. There's a lot of room to expand there."

In terms of the food and other concessions on site, concert-goers will see many of the same popular merchants as last year.

The one noticeable change this time around will be the VIP areas, which will provide a more relaxed festival experience. There will be more room in the Crazy Horse VIP Corral and Front and Centre VIP sections and pass holders will have access to private food and alcohol concessions, private restrooms and a VIP entrance at the festival gates.

After the huge success of last summer's festival, Benoit has high hopes for the third edition of Capital Hoedown.

"We labelled the festival 'Ottawa's Biggest Summer Party' and, looking around at the festival last summer, that's exactly what it was," he says. "But, this year, it's going to be bigger and better."

Capital Hoedown 2012 is expected to sell out quickly so make sure you take advantage of the Early Bird ticket sale, starting Nov. 30 at 10 a.m. through capitalhoedown.net.

– Jen Traplin

CANADIAN ARTISTS INCLUDE TERRI CLARK, TARA ORAM

Great examples of Canada's burgeoning country music scene will be performing at Capital Hoedown 2012.

Returning to the Capital Hoedown stage is Canadian country music darling Terri Clark, who recently released her eighth studio album, Roots and Wings. Terri Clark will perform on the final day of the festival, Sunday, Aug. 12, 2012.

Gander, Newfoundland native Tara Oram, can't wait to come back to play Capital Hoedown for the third year in a row.

"I'm just really excited to do year three of the Hoedown. It's going to be awesome," she exclaims. "We pretty much just prepare the whole summer to play the Hoedown because it's such an amazing festival."

Oram says there is just something special about Ottawa fans.

"Everyone is so supportive. They get the opportunity to see huge country stars but they really show the same support for us Canadian artists as they do for the American artists," she explains.

Catch Tara Oram at Capital Hoedown 2011 on Saturday, Aug. 11.

Also excited to be on the festival bill is La Crete, Alberta brothers Brad, Bryan and Curtis Rempel, who make up country music band High Valley.

"We're pretty stinkin' pumped to be out there this summer," says frontman Brad Rempel.

High Valley has been performing together for 15 years. Rempel says the group has never imagined doing anything else for a living.

"We love writing songs about working hard on the farm but it's more fun to sing the songs about it than it is to actually do it," he says.

Recently, High Valley announced they will join Canadian country music legend Paul Brandt on the road as the opening act for the entire 17-date tour.

Don't miss High Valley's performance at Capital Hoedown 2011 on Sunday, Aug. 12, 2012.

Jaffray, B.C. native Dean Brody, meanwhile, moved to Nashville to pursue a career in country music; a move that seriously paid off for him.

His self-titled debut album made an impact on both American and Canadian radio stations, mainly thanks to the single Brothers. That song hit the Top 10 in Canada and earned multiple CCMA nominations in 2009, winning Single of the Year.

Dean Brody performs at the 2012 Capital Hoedown on Saturday, Aug. 11, 2012.

– Jen Traplin

Terri Clark

Tara Oram

TICKET INFO

3-Day Crazy Horse VIP Corral Passport: $285 (includes HST) plus applicable service charges

3-Day Front and Centre VIP Passport: $455 (includes HST) plus applicable service charges

3-Day General Admission Passport: $170 (includes HST) plus applicable service charges

The VIP sections are contained areas with only sufficient capacity and seating for VIP passport holders.

VIP tickets offer the added privileges of access to a private bar, private food concessions and private restroom facilities.

Early bird 3-Day Passports for Capital Hoedown 2012 are available starting Nov. 30 at 10 a.m. through capitalhoedown.net.

CAPITAL HOEDOWN 2012

Third time's the charm for Brit?

Rumour has it Britney's beau is shopping for an engagement ring Don't expect anything too bling — source says ring is 'classy and under four carats'

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Britney Spears may be gearing up to tie the knot for the third time, as her boyfriend, Jason Trawick, is reportedly close to finding the perfect engagement ring for the singer, according to Radar Online.

"He has been everywhere from Tiffany to Harry Winston looking for a ring and he is close to making his final decision," a source says.

"Don't expect anything too massive or obnoxious. This ring will be classy and under four carats."

And a wedding for the two is reportedly just a matter of when, not if, according to another source.

"Britney and Jason discuss marriage all the time. Britney is truly in love with Jason, and well, Jason has loved her for a very, very long time."
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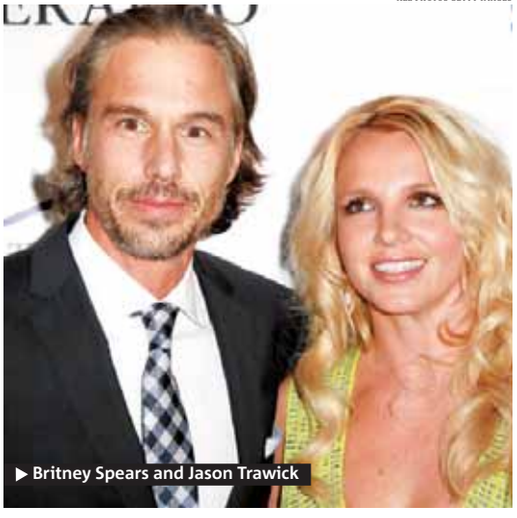
Britney Spears and Jason Trawick

Miley Cyrus

Birthday girls heart unicorns

Miley Cyrus celebrated her 19th birthday in style with a lavish private party at the nightclub Beacher's Madhouse inside the Roosevelt Hotel in Hollywood, according to Us Weekly.

"Her mom, Tish, went and so did her boyfriend, Liam [Hemsworth]," a source says of the party, which was put together by pal Kelly Osbourne.

"The group was up until 3 a.m. just dancing up a storm and having fun."

Cyrus definitely seemed pleased, calling the event "the best party ever" on Twitter.

"Let's just say there was a unicorn in the lobby," she tweeted.

And according to E! News, there was in fact a horse with a horn attached to its head inside the party.
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Yeater's camp still 'Beliebers'

It looked like Justin Bieber's paternity suit drama was over, but now lawyers for Mariah Yeater say the young mother is ready to compare her 4-month-old son's DNA with Bieber's, Jeffrey Leving, Yeater's attorney, tells TMZ.

And Leving and his team already seem to be planting the seeds for a defence if the results don't come back in their favour, as Leving notes that no one from their team was present when Bieber took his DNA test last week, so they can't say for sure it was done properly or is valid.
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Justin Bieber

Celebrity tweets

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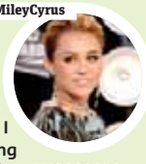
"The single biggest problem in communication is the illusion that it has taken place."


@MileyCyrus
I don't wanna be shaped like a girl I LOVE being shaped like a WOMAN & trust me ladies your man wont mind either ;)

@RedHourBen
Just realized I have not tweeted for while. Hello.

@joelmchale
Was wrestling my 6 yr old yesterday. He elbowed me in the teeth so hard that I spat out bits of my newly chipped front tooth.

Muppets are not the way to get girls: Segel

A love of puppets has brought the Muppets star and co-writer Jason Segel plenty of success, but it's also gotten in the way of his love life over the years, he admits.

"My house is packed with puppets. Like, everywhere," Segel tells People magazine.

"Thank God I have a slightly bigger house now, so I have one room that's sort of dedicated to puppets. But for a long time I lived in a one-bedroom apartment that was just crammed with puppets. It's why I'm still single."
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Jason Segel

Jessica wears the pants when it comes to JT

Now that Jessica Biel and Justin Timberlake have allegedly rekindled their romance, friends assume marriage will be in the cards sometime soon, according to Us Weekly.

And that decision will apparently be up to Biel, as she has the "upper hand" in their revived relationship.

"Justin thinks marriage would hurt his career, but if Jessica threatened to leave, he'd do it," a source says of the pair, adding that Biel "has the power" in the relationship since she's the one that took him back after their split earlier this year.
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Jessica Biel and Justin Timberlake

Great eats on Grey Cup day

Game day is all about food, friends and football
Try some tasty variations on pulled pork This Grey Cup recipe can be prepared ahead of time so you can enjoy the game

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It's game time! Pull out your tortilla chips for this Grey Cup recipe. When watching the game this Sunday and rooting for the B.C. Lions or Winnipeg Blue Bombers, enjoy some delicious food that can be made ahead of time and enjoyed with family and friends during the game.

Slow Cooker Pulled Pork Preparation:

This pulled pork is perfect for a crowd and can be enjoyed on buns as sandwiches or spooned over fries, then sprinkled with cheese and baked for pulled pork poutine. My new game favourite is enjoying pulled pork nachos.

1. In slow cooker, whisk together passata, onion, sugar, Worcestershire sauce and garlic; set aside.
2. In small bowl, combine oil, chilli powder, dry mustard, salt and pepper. Rub all over pork roast to coat..
3. Heat large non-stick skillet over medium-high heat and brown pork roast on all sides. Place in slow cooker. Turn slow cooker on low for 8 to 10 hours or on high for 4 to 6 hours or until pork is fork tender. Remove roast from slow cooker and using 2 forks, shred meat and remove fat. Return pork to slow cooker and stir to coat with sauce.

EMILY RICHARDS

▶ Pulled Pork Nachos

Slow Cooker Pulled Pork Ingredients:

- 1 jar (680 mL) tomato passata (strained tomatoes)
- 1 onion, grated
- 1/3 cup (80 mL) packed brown sugar
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) Worcestershire sauce
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) canola oil
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) chilli powder
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) dry mustard
- 1/4 tsp (1 mL) each salt and pepper
- 1 pork shoulder roast, about 3 lb/1.5 kg

Liquid Assets

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I don't come to football naturally. I'm much more of a baseball kind of guy. But thanks to my in-laws' passion for the game I've learned to appreciate the art that goes into throwing the old pigskin around.

While many of you will be toasting this year's face-off with a beer, I prefer a glass of vino or two.

Taking a cue from each team's colours (and knowing that cheesy nachos will be on the menu), I went searching for a couple of similarly dressed liquids.

To represent the Bombers my pick is the Schmitt Söhne 2010 Relax Riesling ($11.95 - $14.29), a fast food-friendly German white with a sweet, soft apple personality and groovy, cobalt blue bottle.

To support the Lions, the orange labelled Barefoot Cellars Shiraz ($9.99 - $10.99), which offers up soft, lightly spiced jammy berry fruit, works well with eclectic cuisine.

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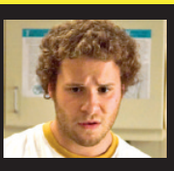
Not into football?



Those of you who aren't settling in for an evening of gridiron gratification on Sunday still have options. MovieTime has Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy, IFC is airing 2001's cult favourite Wet Hot American Summer, and Bravo has 2007's Knocked Up.
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Study calls sodium intake guidelines into question after surprising find

4 sports

Sens preview

Senators at Penguins, 7 p.m. TV: SNET

Sidney Crosby had a rough time in his second game back, getting held scoreless and taking three minor penalties in a 3-2 overtime loss to St. Louis on Wednesday. While not every game will be like his four-point season debut, Pittsburgh (12-6-4) needs its captain to focus his energy on scoring rather than the referees.

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Swaggerville lives on

Blue Bombers defence puts nickname on the back burner, but keeps confident attitude

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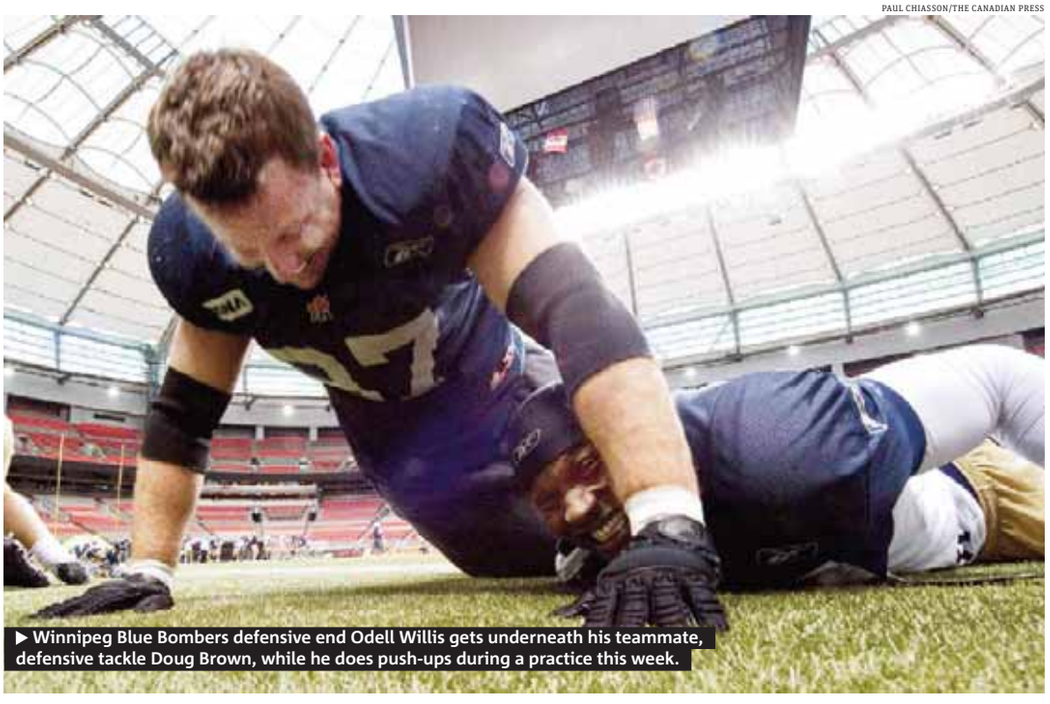

▶ Winnipeg Blue Bombers defensive end Odell Willis gets underneath his teammate, defensive tackle Doug Brown, while he does push-ups during a practice this week.

The nickname Swaggerville has not been heard much in the leadup to the Grey Cup game.

But the Winnipeg Blue Bombers' defence that adopted the name as a sign of their skill and determination to stuff every offence in the CFL says Swaggerville is alive and well inside their locker-room, even if they don't shout it out to the world any more.

"Oh yeah, it still lives, it's just something we don't talk about publicly any more," cornerback Jovon Johnson said Thursday. "We just let our play speak for itself."

Any hope the underdog Bombers have of upsetting the B.C. Lions in the Grey Cup game at B.C. Place on Sunday will likely rest on the defence's ability to stop Lions quarterback Travis Lulay and star receivers Geroy Simon and Arland Bruce.

Winnipeg certainly had the defensive numbers to crow about this season, leading the league in 12 categories, including 55 sacks and 25 interceptions.

When the team that went 4-14 in 2010 started this season 7-1, the name Swaggerville was on everyone's lips as a rallying call. But it faded away as the Bombers went 3-7 down the stretch.

Johnson said the nickname actually dates to 2009, but didn't become public until the team emerged as a winner. Then it was put on Mute.

"It became somewhat of a distraction," said Johnson. "It was all fun when it started.

"But after a while, with all the attention to it, all the other teams took notice and they got mad and it was just giving everybody extra motivation to play against us."

Among other bests, the Bombers allowed their opponents the lowest average yards of offence per game at 301.1, the fewest yards per pass at 7.1, the fewest passing yards per game at 223.1 and lowest percentage of pass completions at 56.7 per cent.

Winnpeg's defence starts with the line, where six-foot-eight Doug Brown crowds the middle so that rush ends Odell Willis and Kenny Mainor can chase down quarterbacks. Willis tied with Hamilton's Justin Hickman for the CFL sacks lead with 13 while Mainor had eight.

"They get pressure on the quarterback and that allows us to do what we do on the back end," added Johnson. "It's hand in hand. We help them get sacks and they help us get picks. We've got the perfect blend of defence."

Sharing the spotlight is the secondary, with Johnson, Jonathan Hefney, Alex Suber and Deon Beasley along with safety Ian Logan. They form the league's most respected unit.

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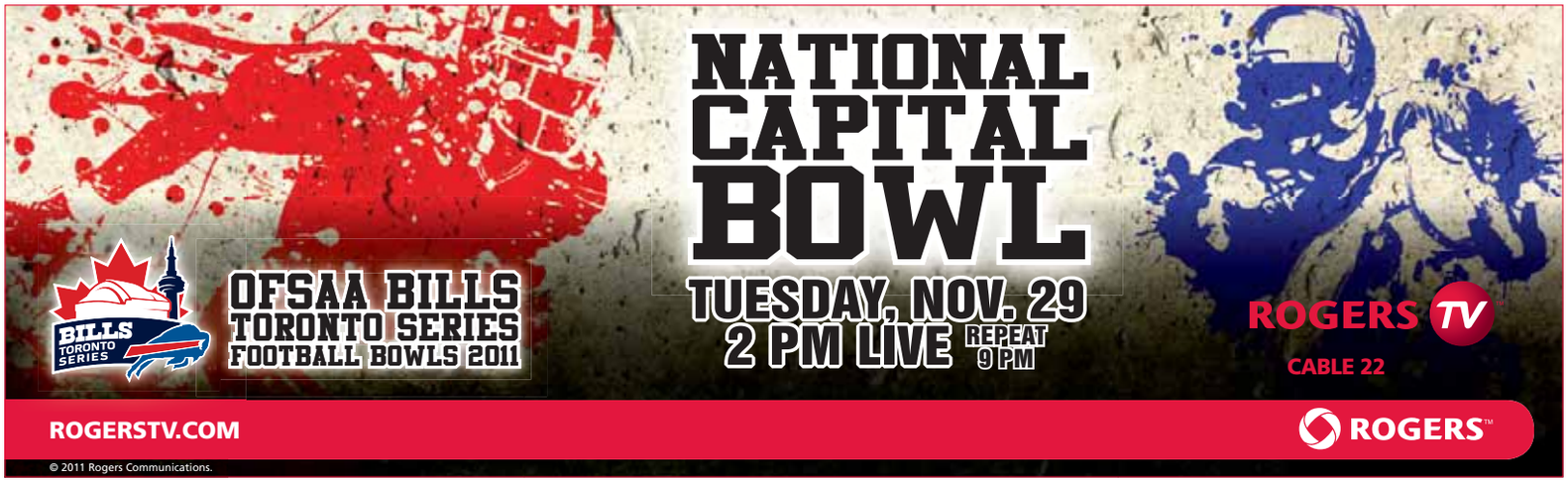
Sibling rivals

The Grey Cup game will be a family affair for brothers Henoc and Cauchy Muamba.

▶ Henoc Muamba, 22, is a rookie linebacker and special-teams performer with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers while Cauchy Muamba, 24, is a second-year safety and special-teams player with the B.C. Lions.



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▶ Winnipeg quarterback Buck Pierce hands off to running back Chris Garrett during practice Wednesday at BC Place Stadium in Vancouver.

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▶ B.C. quarterback Travis Lulay hands off to running back Andrew Harris during practice Wednesday.

Sifting through Grey Cup grey areas

CFL EXTRA POINTS

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Winning one-on-one battles and performing your best despite game-day jitters on the CFL's biggest stage separates champs from chumps. Here's a look at four areas that should decide Sunday's 99th Grey Cup game in Vancouver.

1 Quarterbacks

Lions will win if: QB Travis Lulay, the man who should be named CFL Most Outstanding Player this season, maintains his composure and doesn't get caught up in the hoopla that will surround him on home turf in his first Grey Cup appearance.

The Bombers win if: Gritty QB Buck Pierce carries the Bombers on his back as he's done so many times this season, completing remarkable passes, scrambling to avoid the oncoming pass rush and running with the ball when nothing else will work. Revenge would also be sweet for the man dumped by B.C. two years ago.

2 Receivers

The Lions will win if: Leos legend Geroy Simon and first-year Lion Arland Bruce, possibly the CFL's most dangerous receiving tandem, find open room in the Bombers secondary as double teaming both is nearly impossible. They combined for 10 catches and a TD in the West final.

The Bombers will win if: The Bombers have never replaced Milt Stegall, but the multiple threats provided by Clarence Denmark, Terrence Edwards and Greg Carr, provide Buck Pierce with plenty of targets and any one could emerge as the game's star.

3 Running backs

The Lions will win if: RB Andrew Harris can provide them with a balanced attack by posting positive yards on first down and keeping Travis Lulay out of second-and-long situations. His success keeps the Bombers defence honest.

The Bombers will win if: Dynamic running back Chris Garrett can somehow produce a performance as sensational as the East final, one of the epic games in Blue Bombers history. If the passing game should fail, Garrett could still carry his team to victory as he did last Sunday, rushing for 190 yards in 29 carries.

4 Defence

The Lions will win if: Their tough defence can manhandle the Bombers offensive line, as they did in making Ricky Ray look very average in the West Final, and not give Pierce time to operate. That pass rush could make it a long day for the Bombers QB.

The Bombers will win if: The cocky and confident group that dubbed itself Swaggerville can stop the Lions run, create some second-and-long situations, and set the stage for the secondary to come up with some big turnovers.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Pittsburgh	22	12	6	2	2	67	53	28	7-1-2-0	5-5-0-2	4-4-1-1	L1
d-Florida	21	12	6	0	3	62	52	27	5-2-0-3	7-4-0-0	6-2-0-2	W3
d-Boston	20	13	7	0	0	69	42	26	8-5-0-0	5-2-0-0	10-0-0-0	W 10
Philadelphia	21	12	6	2	1	79	65	27	5-4-1-1	7-2-1-0	6-2-1-1	W1
Toronto	22	12	8	1	1	70	70	26	6-3-1-1	6-5-0-0	4-5-0-1	W1
Washington	20	12	7	0	1	66	62	25	8-1-0-1	4-6-0-0	4-5-0-1	W2
Buffalo	21	12	8	0	1	61	55	25	5-6-0-1	7-2-0-0	6-3-0-1	L2
NY Rangers	18	10	5	1	2	48	39	23	5-1-0-1	5-4-1-1	7-2-0-1	L2
New Jersey	20	11	8	0	1	54	55	23	5-3-0-1	6-5-0-0	7-3-0-0	W1
Montreal	22	10	9	1	2	57	53	23	4-5-1-2	6-4-0-0	5-3-1-1	W1
Ottawa	21	10	9	1	1	62	70	22	5-4-0-1	5-5-1-0	4-4-1-1	L1
Tampa Bay	20	9	9	0	2	55	67	20	6-3-0-0	3-6-0-2	5-5-0-0	L2
Winnipeg	21	8	9	3	1	61	69	20	5-3-0-0	3-6-3-1	4-3-3-0	L1
Carolina	23	8	11	2	2	56	76	20	5-5-0-2	3-6-2-0	3-6-0-1	L1
NY Islanders	19	5	10	3	1	38	65	14	5-5-2-0	0-5-1-1	2-6-2-0	L3

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Minnesota	21	13	5	2	1	50	42	29	8-2-1-0	5-3-1-1	9-1-0-0	W5
d-San Jose	19	13	5	1	0	58	43	27	6-3-1-0	7-2-0-0	7-2-1-0	W4
d-Chicago	22	12	7	1	2	71	68	27	7-1-0-2	5-6-1-0	4-5-1-0	L1
Dallas	21	13	8	0	0	56	57	26	8-3-0-0	5-5-0-0	5-5-0-0	W2
Los Angeles	22	11	7	2	2	54	53	26	6-5-0-1	5-2-2-1	5-3-1-1	L1
Detroit	20	12	7	1	0	58	46	25	8-2-1-0	4-5-0-0	7-3-0-0	W3
Phoenix	20	11	6	1	2	58	51	25	6-3-1-1	5-3-0-1	6-3-1-0	W1
Edmonton	21	11	8	0	2	57	51	24	6-2-0-1	5-6-0-1	4-6-0-0	W1
St. Louis	21	11	8	0	2	53	48	24	7-2-0-1	4-6-0-1	6-2-0-2	W1
Nashville	21	10	7	3	1	57	57	24	4-3-2-1	6-4-1-0	5-3-2-0	L3
Vancouver	21	11	9	0	1	61	57	23	5-3-0-1	6-6-0-0	6-4-0-0	W2
Colorado	22	9	12	1	0	56	68	19	3-8-0-0	6-4-1-0	2-7-1-0	L2
Calgary	20	8	11	1	0	45	56	17	4-5-1-0	4-6-0-0	4-6-0-0	L2
Anaheim	21	6	11	1	3	43	66	16	4-6-0-0	2-5-1-3	1-6-1-2	L5
Columbus	21	5	13	0	3	48	72	13	4-6-0-1	1-7-0-2	4-6-0-0	L1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results
No games scheduled
Wednesday's results
Vancouver 3 Colorado 0
Detroit 5 Calgary 3
Washington 4 Winnipeg 3 (OT)
Minnesota 3 Nashville 2
Florida 2 N.Y. Rangers 1
Dallas 3 Los Angeles 2 (OT)
New Jersey 2 Columbus 1 (SO)
Philadelphia 4 N.Y. Islanders 3 (OT)
Boston 4 Buffalo 3 (SO)
Montreal 4 Carolina 3 (SO)
Phoenix 4 Anaheim 2
San Jose 1 Chicago 0
St. Louis 3 Pittsburgh 2 (OT)
Today's games
All times Eastern
Detroit at Boston, 1 p.m.
New Jersey at N.Y. Islanders, 3 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 3 p.m.
Edmonton at Minnesota, 4 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 4 p.m.
Chicago at Anaheim, 4 p.m.
Ottawa at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Winnipeg at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Calgary at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

LATE WEDNESDAY

COYOTES 4, DUCKS 2

First Period
1. Anaheim, Koivu 4 (Cogliano, Fowler) 5:44
2. Phoenix, Yandle 2 (Doan, Whitney) 13:13
3. Phoenix, Vrbata 10 (Hanzal, Yandle) 16:50 (pp)

Penalties — Getzlaf Ana (hooking) 6:58, Hanzal Pho (goaltender interference) 13:51, Sbisa Ana (hooking) 15:46.
Second Period
4. Phoenix, Vrbata 11 (Ekman-Larsson) 17:31

Penalties — Whitney Pho (hooking) 0:24, Maxwell Ana (interference), Smith Pho (diving; served by O'Reilly) 9:58, Macenauer Ana (holding) 12:16, Brookbank Ana (cross-checking) 14:17, McMillan Ana (slashing) 19:21.
Third Period
5. Phoenix, Ekman-Larsson 5 (Doan) 4:27
6. Anaheim, Perry 8 (Getzlaf, Lydman) 13:03

Penalties — Selanne Ana (unsportsmanlike conduct), Getzlaf Ana (interference, unsportsmanlike conduct) 16:43.
Shots on goal

Anaheim	5	3	13	—21
Phoenix	12	9	8	—29

Goal — Anaheim: Hiller (L,5-9-4); Phoenix: Smith (W,10-3-3).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Anaheim: 0-2; Phoenix: 1-8.
Referees — Mike Leggo, Kyle Rehman. **Linesmen** — Lonnie Cameron, Jay Sharrers.
Att. — 9,124 (17,135) at Glendale, Ariz.

LATE WEDNESDAY

STARS 3, KINGS 2 (OT)

First Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Stoll LA (tripping) 2:50, Scuderi LA (interference) 15:54, Ott Dal (goaltender interference) 18:04.
Second Period
1. Los Angeles, Richards 10 (Brown) 4:53
2. Los Angeles, Westgarth 1 (Moreau) 5:29

Penalty — Ribeiro Dal (tripping) 8:11.
Third Period
3. Dallas, Ja.Benn 6 (Nystrom, Dvorak) 2:07
4. Dallas, Eriksson 10 (Ja.Benn, Ryder) 19:39

Penalties — Ott Dal (slashing) 4:12, Moreau LA (slashing) 17:39.
Overtime
5. Dallas, Ott 4 (Robidas, Ribeiro) 2:56

Penalties — None.
Shots on goal

Los Angeles	8	8	6	2	—24
Dallas	9	14	13	2	—38

Goal — Los Angeles: Quick (L,9-5-4); Dallas: Lehtonen (W,13-4-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Los Angeles: 0-3; Dallas: 0-3.
Attendance — 11,779 (18,532) at Dallas.

SHARKS 1, BLACKHAWKS 0

First Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Boyle SJ (tripping) 7:25, Boyle SJ (boarding) 13:10.
Second Period
1. San Jose, Demers 1 (Clowe, Couture) 17:08 (pp)

Penalties — Stalberg Chi (interference) 1:08, Boyle SJ (delay of game) 10:10, Bolland Chi (hooking) 17:04, Kane Chi (hooking) 18:52.
Third Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Montador Chi (cross-checking) 12:48, Pavelski SJ (goaltender interference) 13:54.
Shots on goal

Chicago	10	13	11	—34
San Jose	5	6	10	—21

Goal — Chicago: Crawford (L,9-6-2); San Jose: Niemi (W,9-2-1). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Chicago: 0-4; San Jose: 1-4.
Attendance — 17,562 (17,562) San Jose, Calif.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Kessel, Tor	16	14	30
Giroux, Pha	11	16	27
Versteeg, Fla	12	14	26
Lupul, Tor	11	15	26
Vanek, Buf	12	13	25
Kopitar, LA	10	14	24
Pominville, Buf	8	16	24
D.Sedin, Vcr	6	18	24
Seguin, Bos	12	11	23
Ma.Hossa, Chi	9	14	23
Backstrom, Wash	7	16	23
Neal, Pgh	13	9	22
Smyth, Edm	11	11	22
Fleischmann, Fla	9	13	22
Nugent-Hopkins, Edm	8	14	22
H.Sedin, Vcr	7	15	22
P.Kane, Chi	7	15	22
Franzen, Det	10	11	21
Skinner, Car	9	12	21
Weiss, Fla	8	13	21
Eberle, Edm	7	14	21
Benn, Dal	6	15	21
Stamkos, TB	11	9	20
Eriksson, Dal	10	10	20
Elias, NJ	8	12	20
Spezza, Ott	6	14	20
Thornton, SJ	5	15	20
Plekanec, Mtl	5	15	20
Pavelski, SJ	11	8	19
M.Richards, LA	10	9	19

CFL PLAYOFFS

GREY CUP

Sunday's game
At Vancouver
Winnipeg vs. B.C., 6:30 p.m., EST

PLAYER AWARD NOMINEES

(selected by voting members of the Football Reporters of Canada and the CFL head coaches; awards given out last night)
Player
East — Anthony Calvillo, Montreal Alouettes.
West — Travis Lulay, B.C. Lions.
Defensive
East — Jovon Johnson, Winnipeg Blue Bombers.
West — Jerrell Freeman, Saskatchewan Roughriders.
Canadian
East — Sean Whyte, Montreal Alouettes.
West — Jerome Messam, Edmonton Eskimos.
Special Teams
East — Chad Owens, Toronto Argonauts.
West — Paul McCallum, B.C. Lions.
Rookie
East — Chris Williams, Hamilton Tiger-Cats.
West — J.C. Sherritt, Edmonton Eskimos.
Lineman
East — Josh Bourque, Montreal Alouettes.
West — Javon Olafioye, B.C. Lions.

FOOTBALL

CIS PLAYOFFS

VANIER CUP

Tonight's game
At Vancouver
McMaster vs. Laval, 9 p.m., EST

TENNIS

ATP

BARCLAYS WORLD FINALS

At London
ROUND ROBIN
SINGLES
Group B
Roger Federer (4), Switzerland, def. Mardy Fish (8), U.S., 6-1, 3-6, 6-3.
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (6), France, def. Rafael Nadal (2), Spain, 7-6 (2), 4-6, 6-3.
Standings: x-Federer 3-0 (6-2), x-Tsonga 2-1 (5-3), Nadal 1-2 (3-5), Fish 0-3 (2-6).
Group A
Standings: x-Ferrer 2-0 (4-0), Berdych 1-1 (3-3), Djokovic 1-1 (2-3), a-Tipsarevic 0-1 (1-2), y-Murray 0-1 (0-2).
DOUBLES
Group B
Max Mirnyi, Belarus, and **Daniel Nestor (3), Toronto,** def. Michael Llodra, France, & Nenad Zimonjic (2), Serbia, 4-6, 6-3, 10-7 tiebreak.
Mariusz Fyrstenberg and Marcin Matkowski (8), Poland, def. Rohan Bopanna, India, and Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi (5), Pakistan, 6-2, 6-1.
Standings: x-Mirnyi-**Nestor 3-0 (6-2),** x-Fyrstenberg-Matkowski 2-1 (4-3), Llodra-Zimonjic 1-2 (4-4), Bopanna-Qureshi 0-3 (1-6).
Group A
Standings: x-Bryan-Bryan 2-0 (4-1), Lindstedt-Tecau 1-1 (2-2), Bhupathi-Paes 1-1 (2-2), Melzer-Petzschner 0-2 (1-4).
x — clinched semifinal berth; a — alternate; y — withdrew.

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	3	0	.700	293	203
N.Y. Jets	5	5	0	.500	228	217
Buffalo	5	5	0	.500	237	253
Miami	3	8	0	.273	212	206

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	7	3	0	.700	273	166
Tennessee	5	5	0	.500	203	195
Jacksonville	3	7	0	.300	125	180
Indianapolis	0	10	0	.000	131	300

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	7	3	0	.700	256	176
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700	220	179
Cincinnati	6	4	0	.600	236	195
Cleveland	4	6	0	.400	145	193

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	6	4	0	.600	235	254
Denver	5	5	0	.500	205	247
San Diego	4	6	0	.400	236	259
Kansas City	4	6	0	.400	144	252

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	7	4	0	.636	270	225
N.Y. Giants	6	4	0	.600	228	228
Philadelphia	4	6	0	.400	237	213
Washington	3	7	0	.300	160	205

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	7	3	0	.700	313	228
Atlanta	6	4	0	.600	235	213
Tampa Bay	4	6	0	.400	182	268
Carolina	2	8	0	.200	225	286

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	11	0	0	1.000	382	227
Chicago	7	3	0	.700	268	207
Detroit	7	4	0	.636	316	246
Minnesota	2	8	0	.200	200	271

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	9	1	0	.900	256	145
Seattle	4	6	0	.400	168	209
Arizona	3	7	0	.300	190	236
St. Louis	2	8	0	.200	120	247

WEEK 12
Yesterday's results
Green Bay 27 Detroit 15
Dallas 20 Miami 19
San Francisco at Baltimore
Sunday's games
All times Eastern
Arizona at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Houston at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Washington at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
Denver at San Diego, 4:15 p.m.
New England at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Kansas City, 8:20 p.m.
Monday's game
N.Y. Giants at New Orleans, 8:30 p.m.

PACKERS 27, LIONS 15

Green Bay	0	7	17	3	—27
Detroit	0	0	0	15	—15

First Quarter —No Scoring.
Second Quarter
GB—G.Jennings 3 pass from Rodgers (Crosby kick), 4:51.
Third Quarter
GB—Kuhn 1 run (Crosby kick), 9:06.
GB—J.Jones 65 pass from Rodgers (Crosby kick), 5:25.
GB—FG Crosby 35, 1:10.
Fourth Quarter
Det—K.Williams 16 run (T.Young pass from Stafford), 13:11.
GB—FG Crosby 32, 2:43.
Det—Johnson 3 pass from Stafford (Hanson kick), :11.
Attendance — 66,263 at Detroit.

TEAM STATISTICS	GB	Det
First downs	18	23
Total Net Yards	349	409
Rushes-yards	18-53	21-136
Passing	296	273
Kickoff Returns	3-45	5-129
Interceptions Ret.	3-8	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	22-32-0	32-45-3
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-11	1-3
Punts	5-43.4	4-37.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	8-64	11-82
Time of Possession	29:12	30:48

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—GB: Grant 6-20, Starks 4-19, Saine 2-10, Kuhn 5-5, Rodgers 1-(—1). **Det:** Morris 7-39, K.Smith 7-36, Stafford 4-31, K.Williams 2-19, Burleson 1-11.
Passing—GB: Rodgers 22-32-0-307. **Det:** Stafford 32-45-3-276.
Receiving—GB: G.Jennings 5-74, Nelson 4-26, J.Jones 3-94, Grant 3-20, Finley 2-38, Cobb 2-21, Driver 1-15, Kuhn 1-10, Saine 1-9. **Det:** Morris 9-81, Burleson 5-39, Johnson 4-49, K.Williams 4-33, Pettigrew 4-27, K.Smith 3-21, Scheffler 2-13, T.Young 1-13.
Missed Field Goals—Det: Hanson 47 (WL).

HOCKEY

AHL

Last night's result
Binghamton 5 Adirondack 2
Wednesday's results
Grand Rapids 5 Hamilton 2
Charlotte 6 Norfolk 3
Chicago 3 Texas 2
Connecticut 3 Portland 2 (OT)
Hershey 4 Providence 3
Manchester 2 Worcester 1
Rockford 6 San Antonio 3
Syracuse 7 Wilkes-Barre/Scranton 5

TRANSACTIONS

FOOTBALL

NFL

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Placed OT James Carpenter on injured reserve. Signed OT Allen Barbre.

HOCKEY

NHL

DETROIT RED WINGS — Reassigned F Fabian Brunnstrom to Grand Rapids (AHL).
NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Assigned RW Nick Palmieri to Albany (AHL).

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▶ Nashville's Anders Lindback, left, chats with Minnesota's emergency backup goalie, 51-year-old Paul Deutsch, Wednesday night in St. Paul, Minn.

51-year-old 'keeper taken for a Wild ride

Rec league goalie called in by Minnesota club scrambling for backup

Paul Deutsch's pals in his recreational hockey league needed to find a replacement goalie Wednesday night. The 51-year-old embroidery shop owner was going to be suiting up for another team: the NHL's Minnesota Wild.

The Wild signed Deutsch to an amateur tryout contract to serve as an emergency backup to starter Josh Harding for Wednesday's game against the Nashville Predators.

"Pretty nervous and I just want to make sure I don't do anything stupid," Deutsch said. "Stay out of their way and do what I'm supposed to do ... and let the guys fire away."

Deutsch was signed after Niklas Backstrom was declared out for personal reasons. Matt Hackett was recalled from Houston, but his flight wasn't scheduled to land in the Twin Cities until about 6:30 p.m. and the Wild couldn't risk being short a goaltender.

Deutsch's shot at playing in an NHL game ended almost as quickly as it started, though. Hackett arrived at the arena just before the 7 p.m. game time and Deutsch was scratched. But he did participate in pregame warmups.

He watched from a suite with members of his daughter's under-14 girl's hockey team. Deutsch is a coach for the team and the suite was arranged long before Deutsch received a call from the Wild.

"Another goaltending controversy there, if he got in there, who knows," Wild coach Mike Yeo joked after the game.

The Wild won their fifth straight game and Deutsch likely felt much more comfortable watching from above than at ice-level.

"Told me I better be good tonight so he didn't have to go in," Harding said. "It was a lot of fun for him."

Deutsch last played in a competitive league in 1978 as a defenceman for Minneapolis Roosevelt High School.

He is a good friend of former Wild assistant coach Mike Ramsey and has been used as a fill-in goalie at Minnesota practices. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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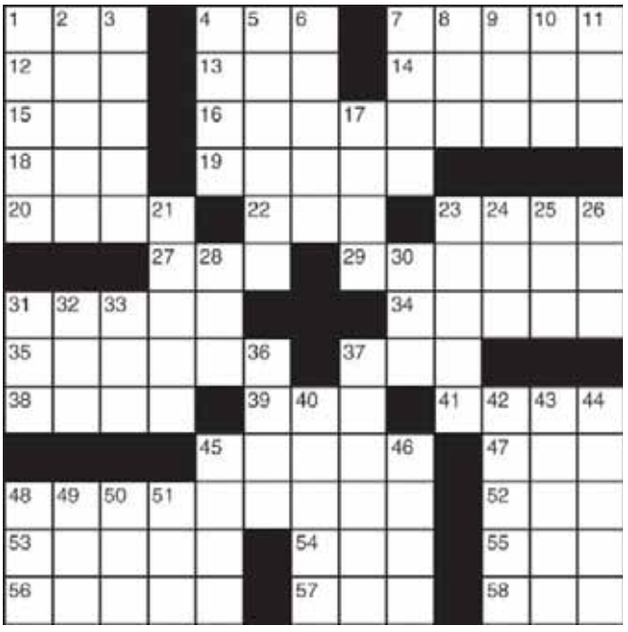

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13 Oklahoma city
14 The Little Mermaid
15 3-Down's formation
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18 Chances, for short
19 Pisces' neighbour
20 At the home of (Fr.)
22 Kvetch
23 Used a loom
27 "Monty Python" intro
29 Drool
31 String instrument
34 Cheer up
35 Gum arabic source
37 Perched
38 Eve's third son
39 Teensy
41 Wild and crazy
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47 Feathery neckpiece
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52 Sindbad's bird
53 "Tinker to — to Chance"
54 Despondent
55 Blond shade
56 Surround
57 Tackle's teammate
58 Bumped into

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1 Destruction
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4 — Pinkett Smith
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11 Muhammad or Laila
17 Stamina, slangily
21 Nothing
23 Ballroom favourite
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25 Ex-G.I.
26 Preceding
28 Skater Babilonia
30 Meadow
31 Anatomical duct
32 Tavern supply
33 Feedbag morsel
36 MPs' quarry
37 Tar
40 Obliterate
42 James — Garfield
43 Sue Grafton's "N Is for —"
44 America's Cup contender
45 Atomizer spray
46 Actress Cheryl
48 Belle of the ball?
49 "Hail!"
50 "— Misérables"
51 Exist

▶ Yesterday's answer

Sudoku

		4	1	3		2		
		7						8
2			8			1	4	
	7	3		4	2			
			6	1		9	7	
	1	5			7			2
8						7		
		2		6	9	5		

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

7	8	6	2	4	1	3	5	9
1	5	3	7	9	8	2	4	6
2	4	9	6	3	5	8	1	7
9	7	4	5	1	3	6	8	2
5	3	1	8	2	6	9	7	4
6	2	8	9	7	4	5	3	1
8	1	2	3	6	7	4	9	5
4	9	5	1	8	2	7	6	3
3	6	7	4	5	9	1	2	8

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Jennifer Owens
Thank you for letting me be apart of you life and I hope we can spend the rest of our lifes together... I honestly believe we belong together from the bottom of my heart to yours... I miss you....
FROM JAMES WALKER

My Chinchilla
Baby you are my entire day. I cant wait until I see you and show you this kiss I have sent. I love when your eyes light up and that great sexy smile takes over. Love you forever xoxox
FROM XIGENERAL

Brooke
You are our cupcake!!! We love you! xoxoxoxo
FROM NANNY AND GRAMPY

Sheri
Thank you for the most amazing evening I have had in a long time... Cant wait to spend more time with you..
FROM BROTHERQ

Today 9°/5° Variable
Saturday 9°/5° Variable
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Check the 14 day trend.
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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Get past the wishful thinking and make your dreams come true. All it takes is self-belief — and action.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 You don't need to stoop to underhand methods to realize your ambitions.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Make sure you express yourself today. Let everyone know how you feel, be it good or bad.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You don't have time for fun and games — you have serious issues to deal with and you know if you don't crack on with them now they may never get done.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 By all means take a few risks today.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Try not to let your emotions get the better of you today, especially on the home front where a loved one's actions may annoy you intensely.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Don't impose restrictions on yourself, and don't let other people tell you what you can and cannot do.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Money matters of one sort or another will be much on your mind today.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You may be eager to start something new and that's great, but don't just throw yourself at it.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 As today's eclipse falls in the most sensitive area of your chart you'll want to be on your own for a while.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You seem to be having second thoughts about an issue you once had no doubts about at all.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. Whatever your age or your social position there is still time to make an impression on the world.

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